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INTERVIEW WITH LT. COLONEL JAMES W. FLETT - 15 February 1945

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Interview With Lt Colonel James W. Flett,
15 February 1945

The arrival of Lieutenant Colonel James W. Flett, of the 71st Fighter Wing, with two enlisted helpers, in Vittel, on 19 October 1944, to perform a quick survey of buildings and facilities for the establishment of a headquarters, marks the emergence of the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) from the purely planning phase of its history. Colonel Flett's mission was the first step in the implementation of plans laid on by SHAEF at Versailles for the provision of closely co-ordinated air support for the Allied Sixth Army Group, whose headquarters had already been set up at Vittel.

The commander of the Sixth Army Group, Lieutenant General Jacob L. Devers, was charged with command responsibilities on the right flank of the western Allied front, southward from to the Mediterranean Sea. Under General Devers's command were the American Seventh

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Army, under Lieutenant General Alexander M. Patch Jr., to the north, and the First French Army under General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, to the south. At the time of the establishment of the First Tactical Air Force, the line of battle lay through Epinal, on the Moselle River, twenty-six miles east of Vittel. For command of the Air Force, Major General Ralph Royce, AAF, had already been chosen. It was planned to bring the most important units of the recumbent French Air Force back into the war under the new command; and General Royce's recent military-diplomatic ~~the~~ experience in the Middle East favored his selection for a task which would entail close, skilful, and sympathetic liaison work ^{with} foreign officers.

Colonel Flett is still assigned to the 71st Fighter Wing, which has been one of the principal sources of personnel for the new Air Force's headquarters and which still, because of the provisional status of the Air Force,

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retains much of the personnel of the latter on its roster. The story of the 71st Fighter Wing in the war, before it became a non-operational, "paper" unit, is one of those organizational stories that Air Corps men like to tell one another - stretching, re-discovering, coloring, and caressing them as they talk. For many it is in these stories that the true war history of the AAF lies - not alone in their verifiable facts, but also in the overtones and connotations developed in the telling of them, in memories of admirable or diverting personalities, of difficulty, and of fun, and in the sense of comradeship and journey which they evoke. Factual-minded men find them fascinating, when told accurately. Men of vivid imagination tell and listen to them over and over again, caring for differences in the telling and for the endless attempt which they represent to recover the past and live it again.

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Colonel Flett is essentially a man of facts. It would be unfortunate for him were it otherwise. He is the Headquarters Station Commandant, and his official life is a continuous round of attention to details, which he must face, deal with, and keep from under foot. An hour in his office on the ground floor of the Hôtel des Thermes, which he chose for headquarters of the Air Force, is an hour of interruptions, of details requiring quick, firm, courteously-made decisions, and of rapid, concentrated returns to the story asked for by the historian, whose application to him is in itself an unexpected interruption. A captain of engineers with dirty face, in crumpled field jacket and muddy infantry boots, enters to announce that the steam-roller, which was supposed to be supplied by the town the next day to repair holes in the Avenue Pierre Bouloumie, in front of the Hôtel des Thermes, is out of order and that four French laborers, who would be hard to get but probably could be got, would do the work with hand tampers.

"Thank you, captain!" And the Captain left.

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The Commandant telephones the station utilities officer immediately that the steam-roller was not to be had and that he could expect four tampers next morning.

Twenty minutes later the captain returns to say that there were no rubber or metal tampers, after all.

"Thank you, captain! We shall make some....
Sergeant Schuping!"

The Sergeant enters. He has been with Colonel Flett from the first day at Vittel, and earlier, as well.

"Sergeant Schuping, telephone Lieutenant wooden tampers made and nailed to four
and tell him to have four poles this evening for work on the road tomorrow morning. The other tampers are not available."

In a few minutes Sergeant Schuping enters again.

"Colonel Flett, Colonel Crumrine wishes to see you immediately."

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"Excuse me, Lieutenant. The Chief of Staff is calling me. I'll be back in a few minutes."

The Commandant returns, and, without a break, applies himself to an examination of a field order of the Ninth Air Defense Command, which he himself had prepared last fall, and whose provisions for a movement of the 71st Fighter Wing were the subject of discussion before the interruption.

Then a general's aide telephones. The time for the general's take-off northward from Nancy has been set ahead. The general will need his car to take him to Nancy at five-thirty. The Commandant thanks the Aide-de-camp, disconnects the call with a finger of his right hand without taking his left hand off the receiver, and calls the transportation officer. The line is busy.

"Sergeant Schuping!".

A private enters and says that Sergeant

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Schuping has stepped out.

"Sergeant G. !"

"Sergeant G. enters.

"Sergeant G. . . . , keep after transportation
on the telephone. I want to speak to them as soon as their
line is clear".

The Commandant returns to his story. Five minutes
later, Sergeant G.... comes in. The motor pool officer is
on the wire.

"Thank you, sergeant". And then, over the telephone:
"Captain, the general will want his car at 5:25 instead of at
6:30. Please have the driver get his supper right away and
be in front of headquarters at 5:25....Thank you, Captain."

Such is the routine of the Station Commandant's
office. As well as transport and maintenance, he is responsible
for billeting and messing. Even old Army men are frequently

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unable, in spite of themselves, to refrain from praising the work of the housekeeping services in the E.T.O. The chain of American messes, billets, and communications facilities set up and maintained all over France and England through the efficiency of such men as the Station Commandant has to be seen and used, before the impression which has been ^{made} upon the European mind and upon many American minds, too, by the clear planning and quick organization behind our vast military establishment in Europe, can be understood.

The 71st Fighter Wing was activated on the West coast in 1942, carved out of the Los Angeles Fighter Wing, one of the seven air coastal defense wings set up after Pearl Harbor, when the threat of attack upon our coasts was a primary concern. It stayed in California until December 1943 and then went to England, where it was assigned to the Ninth Air Defense Command, and went

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operational, under the command of General (then Colonel) Ned Schramm. This was the period when the great, England - based air attack on Europe, preliminary to the invasion of June 1944, was just being launched. The history of the 71st Fighter Wing, like those of scores of other ^{air} units, ~~does~~, ~~in fact~~, reflects the varying changes of pace in air operations throughout the war.

In America the Wing's Groups were flying P-38's. These they turned into their respective bases before departure for overseas, and then pulled out with their complete Organization Equipment List and Table of Equipment, less airplanes. At their base in England they received new P-47's and P-38's, shipped across the Atlantic, from factory to an English port, in parts, and assembled in Britain. This was normal procedure at that time for shipment of fighters, although some P-38's were being experimentally

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flown from one continent to another via Presque Isle,
~~Maine~~, Newfoundland, Greenland, Iceland, and Scotland,
under project "Crimson".

In England the Wing became a lower echelon of
the Ninth Air Defense Command, charged with escort duties
and with general defense against enemy air attack.
Headquarters, at first, were at Aldermaston. Later, a
move was made to Greenham Common, and, still later, to
Andover, Wiltshire.

In the Spring of 1944, the Wing set up "B" Camp,
at Middle Wallop. This organization was meant to control
all Ninth Air Force fighters, in both night and day operations.
Several leading men of the present First Tactical Air Force
were at "B" camp, among them General Schramm, Colonels
Crumrine and Fisher, Lieutenant Colonel Flett, and Major
Levi. It was planned that immediately after D-day/- Perhaps

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on the evening of D-day itself-the 71st Fighter Wing would move to France, and take over all ~~in~~ceptor work against expected Luftwaffe attack. But the failure of the German Air Force to take offensive action over the beaches rendered interceptor work unnecessary, and the 71st Wing stayed in the U.K.^{1/} Until the end of June, when the tactical situation rendered the re~~m~~oval of the whole Ninth Air Defense Command to France logical.

First, the Wing - still under the command of General Schramm, who also commanded the Ninth Air Defense Command - was based at Écramméville in Normandy. Then it moved up to a chateau outside Cherbourg, then back to Écramméville. August 21 it moved to Rennes, provincial capital of Brittany; and a month later (September 20), to Versailles, where Colonel Flett was the Wing's Headquarters Commandant.

^{1/} The 70th Fighter Wing, also a "B" command organization, did, however, move into France almost immediately after D-day.

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8 July - 1 hr off (7)
18 Jul - $\frac{1}{2}$ hr off (7 $\frac{1}{2}$)
21-25 Jul,

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4 whole days
21-25 6 days

8. — 1 hr
16. — 1/2 hr

2.70	16.14
75	20
1250	280
1750	1750
18.750	18.75
	316.25
	65.00
	251.25

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Thence, on October 19, he was sent to Vittel as leader of the reconnaissance party already referred to.

Throughout this period in England and France, General Schramm kept as much of his organization as possible under canvas, in the interest of maximum mobility. A school was operated by the Wing, under strict SOP, for moving from canvas to canvas between dawn and darkness. Pioneer parties of four officers and thirty-five enlisted men would be sent out in advance of a move; and Colonel Flett, as Headquarters Commandant, was frequently in charge of these advance parties and was always near the center of plans for movement.

Wing Headquarters moved into Vittel from Versailles a few days after Colonel Flett's arrival October 19. The unit still exists on paper, and General Schramm still retains command of it. Together with the 63rd Fighter Wing, which came into the First Tactical

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Air Force from the Mediterranean Theatre at the birth of the latter and which was similarly reduced to a "paper" status at the time of its assignment, the 71st Wing provides personnel and supplies to Air Force Headquarters through its Tables of Organization and Equipment. This situation arises through the fact that the latter organization, being still provisional, lacks either T.O. or T.E. At present, for instance, Colonel Flett is assigned to the 71st Wing and the Air Force historian is assigned to the 63rd Wing.

There was a certain amount of confusion attendant upon the opening up of headquarters at Vittel. Colonel Flett had received information at Versailles that space would be needed for 150 officers and 615 enlisted men, and he proceeded in his dealings with Sixth Army Group on that basis. There was difficulty. Vittel is a well-known spa; it is almost all hotels. The best of these

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hotels had already been commandeered by the Sixth Army Group. These best - like L'Ermitage and the Grand Hôtel - are splendid, modern buildings, of excellent, spacious design, and with beautiful grounds. It is these hotels that have given Vittel its European reputation. But the hotels left for the First Tactical Air Force were large, old, and dingy. Built between thirty and sixty years ago, places like the Hôtel des Thermes, the Central^{Hôtel}, the Nouvel Hôtel, and ^{the} Hôtel de Lorraine were once undoubtedly imposing and comfortable. But today they are dismal and uncomfortable. Also they were, when Colonel Flett arrived, filthy. Vittel had been used as a concentration camp by the Germans for four years. Here, at first, rich French, English, and American women were interned. The place was known as the Gestapo's show-place. Later, however, women (and a few men) of any income bracket or nationality were introduced. When Colonel Flett arrived, the Hôtel des Thermes was filled with miserable, dirty women (one

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of them pregnant), many of whom claimed American citizenship, though their ethnic and social affiliations were in most cases with eastern and south-eastern Europe.

Shortly after Colonel Flett had approached the Sixth Army Group on the subject of space in Vittel, the latter organization got in touch with Versailles. Thence General Royce repudiated by teletype the personnel figures quoted by Colonel Flett, and lowered them drastically. At the same time the latter was informed that the first troops for the First Tactical Air Force Headquarters were already on the road. With the help of Lieutenant Colonel Abram Sohmer, Medical Officer, he quickly cleared the Hôtel des Thermes and the Nouvel Hotel, and on October 21, officers and men of the new Air Force began to move in. The consequences of this early misunderstanding over the size of the headquarters may be seen in the present congested housing conditions. There were, as of

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11 February 1945, 207 Officers and 502 enlisted men
attached to the headquarters¹.

1. Colonel Flett used the following figures in his
original negotiations with Sixth Army Group:

Expected Personnel

	Officers	EM
From 71st Fighter Wing	48	191
From Ninth Air Defense Command	27	66
From American Expeditionary Air Force	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>
	100	282

Planned Additions

385th Signal Service Co	6	134
322rd Signal Co. (Wing)	30	87
WAC Detachment (allotted to 385th Signal Service Co.)	8	80
Detachment KK, 21st Weather Squadron	6	18
Detachment KK, 40th Communications Squadron	<u>0</u>	<u>14</u>
Totals	150	615

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INTERVIEW WITH COLONEL GREGORY - 20 February 1945

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Col. Gregory, Ditty Comm. ^{42nd} Wing,

20 Feb. 1945.

Supply Channels:

Curriculum.

Training & set up - done.

From Amer. Report now, through
their Service Groups (at Boron) & long
on landings - Patterned after Amer.
Sec. Gr. - Sec. Sp. & each one of
their Boat Groups.

From QM Supply Unit.

Gr.

Sec. Gr. as Amer. Reports:

Skeleton of Fr. Depot Gr.

new () . A present
skeleton - 2 or 3 men, till.

States went to Fr. Depot Gr.

Patterned on

Now get all - parts from Amer.
Sp. as this Sec. Gr.

A/C ferries - State to
Croatian - Fr. wing picks

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them up there.

only they into a certain part of
food ration - part is cash paid by
for government -

Mostly free equipment in
clothing - as with all ~~clothing~~ Q.M.
stuff.

For Dept. all kinds of
stream and supply channels
to do P work for themselves.

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trained staff sections.
communication is set up
all way round in
sorts state

Operations:

A month or so ago handicapped by
lack of info. ^{hand passengers} trained personnel
accounting for A-2 or 4 A-3.

Got target - shot at rather &
it. No flock of birds - shot up
pretty badly. Then flock of birds.

We came into picture A-2
& A-3, for west & Neph. Then we
went to Lyons.

Weather set-up
personnel set

Weather set-up both here
at field.

Now this O.K. camera
machinery.

Then personnel
training is -

Improvement here
since Jan. to.

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Series of lectures on bombing

formation types
bombing training

training detachment from

Fr. brigade.

1 crew each Squadron every
4 days.In 4 days that 20 bomb
runs - approx 20 bombs in the
period - in about 15 hrs flying.

Djérida

Crews from States go to Djérida near
Tunis for training and then come back
here for training.

13 new crews each month.

(Telegraph folded about July. And
set up Djérida - Fr. personnel).

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Communist:

Sony when new. No Signal
Co. Have a fly in Signal Co.

Intelligence on enemy installation
comes through 6th Army GP.
- Big radio from Vittal.

Rel contact with our fighters
through Besancon

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Weather:

Ex. 8.00

Weather set-up for field
& attachment

Can security info. to do
planning night before. But C.O.
Group or wing comm. will begin
weather office at field to check

Policy To follow through on all
missions right through at brigade.
Group's sad intent is for
every mission to bring them to
42nd. Who follow the thru.

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goes to briefing & remains
out there & is there at
interpretation or gets reports
out.

All bombs in not on target,
each flight leader is why bombs
not there, what went wrong.
Form for this made by Department.
Errors made & corrective action taken

Difficulties:

For tempo. hard to sub:

Not 2 to off. as we know it.

Promptness - immediate
action unfamiliar.

No serious diff. But a / easily arise.

Fundamentally copy. Previous.
to emulate Amer. In staff as well
as in pilots.

Bombing: They can do it. Weather was bad.

In Sardinia 31st Group flew good bomb. missions. Good for inexperienced personnel - Excellent pilots

6 ship flight - ^{formation:} excellent
They don't have to pick
cand. spots to 17th or 320th
In larger formations - lack of
training alone made them inferior.

Demand: Can impose it. Could be
resentment, But it hasn't risen
worthily.

Co-operative -
Desire to emulate is
All way down to
united men Accept

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AD min:

Personnel
 training, E.I. & when it affects ops or
 discretion

assign. or prom.
 unless it affects ops.

If flt. leader or bombie, we
 must upgrade - but what we
 they do after is a - affair.

Hypothetical:

Supply: If shortage from 16
 bombs, then we would do it.

If shortage of food that
 hampers ops, I can't say, then us.

Bank-sit maintenance, in poor
 ✓ Up to 42nd Bomb Wing, with
 minimum people to 8000. If 42nd B Wing
 photo people came down to
 help with new cameras &
 training *

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Directive, 15 Jan. 1945.

Signed by Gen. Royce

Primary Duty:

Ops & Int. up to snuff.

But also involves other matters of supply.

Recomm. in personnel:

Rec. to Wing, to I TAC to ICAF.

Key Personnel transfers by consult.
of CG 42nd Wing. If no agreementSupply & admin: will follow prescribed
Fr. channels.

Primary of CG 42nd Wing:

1. Camp. ops with Amerops
2. Ext. of training system
3. Org. of smoothly operating tactical wing hqs.

Logistics: Palais de Bois, 5 Gp.
& sign. of each Gp.THIS
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Ltr. 6th Jan. from CG 42nd Bld.
Col. Goy.

Dpty Comm. of 42nd Bldg in class of EAF
activities, as such as of CG, supervisor op.
of wing, to be exercised by EO of Wing.

Such Supervision as is necessary to
insure execution by C.O. of Brigade
of

Authority to staff down here.

25 Boulevard des Belges; A-2 Pr. here
first-

Place, act & time they turned

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CONFERENCE BETWEEN MAJOR SELKO
AND LT. STEWART, 21 JUNE 1945.

PART I

The Sixth Army Group wanted an air force for coordinating policy at that level. Previously all air — ground coordination had been carried out at the Army -- TAC level. From 1 November to 1 January, the First TAF General Staff was trying to effectuate an organization which would permit coordinated ground -- air planning and control. It was intended that such an organization would serve to coordinate ground -- air objectives on one hand, and would decide the policy on the distribution of air effort on the other. To amplify this, an organization had to be developed to be capable of functioning with the Army Group Commanders, and planning and guiding the constituents. To begin, a signals network had to be established involving adequate communications facilities not only between the parent air force and its subordinate units but between the air force and the Army Group, Tactical

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Air Command and the Armies, etc.

Up until this point Twelfth TAC had had long experiences with the Seventh Army with tactical planning at the Army level, and at the same time it appeared as though the campaign of Southern France was not as rugged both on the ground and in the air and, therefore, did not require the air requirements in comparison with the Armies in the North. At this time the Armies were experiencing artillery shortages. The air force had to guard against the substitution of air power for artillery, though air power is a complement and supplement to long range artillery. But it is a very expensive way to fight a war in that bombs dropped from a height and at the speed of an aircraft do not inflict the same kind of results. For example, the chief targets for artillery are strong points, gun positions, etc. Air power is primarily for targets beyond the range of artillery, such as ammunition dumps, POL depots, dump concentrations, etc. Furthermore, air power has a definite advantage over artillery in attacking moving objectives. When you have a shortage of artillery, as was the case until after the Rhine, there is a great temptation for the Ground Commanders to request

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the use of air power on normal artillery targets. The result was that the air power was so much more effective and remunerative in its results in attacking moving objectives and targets beyond the artillery range and the effectiveness of air power against artillery targets left the problem a matter for the air people to decide.

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PART I

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A. I do not remember the dates of the Medium Bomber attacks on the Siegfried Line defenses, but they were timed to anticipate the advances of the Ground Armies. They were planned attacks to soften up the defenses and disorganize the communications within the Defense Zone.

Q. At what point of the line did we ~~make~~ attack?

A. South-west of Zweibrücken. Those attacks, I believe, were between 12th and 16th March.

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A. The fighter bombers in that case provided aerial cover for the advancing Ground Armies, and close cooperation missions. You can find from the "A-3 Summary of Intentions" the percentage of fighter bomber effort devoted to close cooperation with the various Army Corps. (The targets in the place that breached the line were: gun positions, fortified points, troop concentrations, identified by aerial photography and by current spotting flights which directed the fighter bomber missions in the usual way.

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A. Air opposition was negligible. ✓ In the case of the medium bomber attacks on the Siegfried defenses there was a good deal of question as to whether they would be effective, and actually destroy the pill boxes and gun emplacements, however, the target area was divided up systematically, aiming points were selected, and a carpet of bombs laid down for the whole target area. ✓

Q. That was ~~was~~ the biggest medium bomber concentration. ✓

A. On a single target, yes. Subsequent examination of results showed that so far as the installations were concerned the damage was not very great, occasionally direct hits were scored on pill-boxes, or gun emplacements, but for the most part damage done to these fixed installations which were protected heavily against air attack was not great, however, the carpet of bombs appeared to be shattering to the organization and morale of enemy ground troops. ✓ An interesting feature in conjunction with the bombing was that the enemy did not appear to have occupied a large part of his fixed defensive installations, pill boxes for example, had trenches built around them, but the enemy troops when the advances began simply left them. During the aerial attacks it is possible that they used the pill boxes as air raid shelters. The guns, however, did not show that they had been used or even manned. The inference that could be drawn from this is that previous experience with fixed lines of defense had showed them that a concentrated air attack which disorganized their communications, coupled with ✓

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A. That I do not recall, but check with the 42nd Bomber Wing (Check Stinopsum about No. 45 or 47 for details.) There is something I should mention, that is the preparatory air attacks on communications which preceded the actual jump off of the ground forces. L

Q. ^{Do} we have ~~any~~ appreciation from the ground forces on the work of the Siegfried Line.

A. Yes, they were provided continuously by the daily conferences as I outlined them to you yesterday. (See also Grafton's notes of 6 May 45, p. 3-4). The Fighter Bomber effort for some days prior to the jump off was directed against enemy troop concentrations, tanks, gun positions etc. Preparatory to the jump off, a rail interdiction program was undertaken by the Air Forces in flying both mediums and fighter bombers against the rail lines which connect the Kaiserslautern area with the Rhine crossings at Bingen, Mainz, Worms, Mannheim, Speyer, Germersheim, and Karlsruhe. (See Suggested Chapter Outline of 6 May 45, III B. 3 and V. A. 4 and 5.) L

Q. That was our second interdiction program.

A. Yes.

Q. Was that coordinated with the heavy bombers.

A. There was some heavy attacks on Zweibrucken, but you should verify that. I do not know when they took place or how they were coordinated.

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One line leading generally North from Zweibrücken to Bad Kreuznach was neutralized by attacks on the bridge at Bad Münster 25 February and 2 March. Two lines which run from Kauslautern to Worms were neutralized by attacks on small bridges and embankments. A fourth line which runs practically East to West to Mannheim, and the fifth line was South, roughly parallel to it, to Neustadt. The 5th line was completely unserviceable after the 2 March. (See 1st TAAAF Signal 25 April '45 to C.G. USTAAAF, Ref: D 446, 25 Apr '45) (Reference subject matter outlined on page 5)

- Q. Do you have ~~any~~ knowledge at all about the ^{condition of the} 114,000 prisoners taken.
- A. No, this matter concerns the Army. (Contact 6 AG, G-2, for information regarding the 114,000 prisoners captured during this period.)
- Q. I would like to take up the matter of the Colmar Pocket. "The annihilation of the German 19th Army, February 2-8. (See same 1st TAAAF Signal D 446, 25 April. Also suggested chapter outline III B 3, and 4; IV A).
- A. The French cut through the Belfort Gap on schedule, they met very stiff German opposition on the other side of the Gap, and that was what developed into a pocket.
- Q. How many do you think there ^{were} ~~were~~ in the 19 Army Group in the Colmar Pocket, when the pressure was started.
- A. More than 18,000 prisoners were taken during the campaign, and of the 18 to 20,000 combat effectives not more than 4,000 escaped. The remains of the 106th Panzer, 2 Mountain, and 7 Infantry Division had crossed to the East Bank were insufficient material either to build

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an effective defensive force or a reserve pool for re-enforcing the Northern armies.

- Q. When did it become evident that the Germans were going to pull out of the Colmar Gap?
- A. Their position became critical during the last week in January, when Allied attacks first from the South, later from the North took the enemy by surprise. In the course of those two attacks a pincer developed which encircled part of the enemy's forces in the Vosges end of the pocket. The Northern attack referred to above, cut the Breisach road, and left them as their only permanently escape route, the Chalame bridge. At night, however, they made use of every type of temporary device, pontoons, ferries and small boats to effect their escape.
- Q. What sort of effect did it have on their night movements?
- A. Very little. We suffered a lack of night fighters for intruder patrols on bombing and strafing operations.
- Q. What of the G.A.F.'s reaction?
- A. There was practically no enemy air action, and what there was was ineffective.
- Q. Did the bombing of bridges interfere with their movements?
- A. I think you can say two things, first, while the repeated bombing on the Breisch and Chalampe bridges were successful in destroying them, practically all our fighter bombers on roads were creating havoc in the mass movements of enemy vehicles in the day time. Later our

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effort was directed against the movement of troops withdrawing, preventing an orderly withdrawal, and leading to very great losses of equipment.

There is also evidence of the close cooperation with the Ground Armies which deserves mention. See message of congratulations from the 3rd Infantry Division Commander, to 12th TAC.

Q. This was the first interdiction program.

A. The interdiction program preceded the clearing of the Colmar pocket. It developed strongly over the two main escape routes, and succeeded in slowing up enemy movements of reinforcements and supplies in the early period.

Q. Did the Chalampé ~~area have any~~ ^{bridge have strong} defenses.

A. Not as ~~many~~ ^{heavily} as at Briesach. This was close to the Swiss border for mass military movements or large scale air operations.

Q. Did we throw everything into the attack.

A. Not everything. The ground situation on the 7th Army front required a considerable force for patrol, armed reconnaissance, attacks on enemy supplies, etc.

Q. Were they moving at the same time.

A. No they were not moving at that time, but the 7th Army was massing. Protecting the flank of the 3rd Army was of great importance at that period. During the period of the elimination of the Colmar pocket, and this was our first priority area.

Q. What happened prior to our jump off on March 15.

A. During the three weeks prior to the jump off we did two things, first,

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we completed the interdiction program and we conducted concentrated attacks on enemy supply installations.

In that time we attacked most of their fuel dumps and depots, and for about three weeks prior to the Saar jump off our medium bombers attacked other supply installations.

(See paragraph 13 of Operational resume dated 6 May.)

Q. We were at any time during this period ^{participate in} the Overall Strategic Plan, and if we did what was our maximum range. Did we send at any time our mediums ahead of our ^{for ground} ~~assault~~ forces.

A. Prior to the Saar campaign they were sent out against supply installations which were not necessarily close to the line, mostly our medium bombers were directed against targets of this description.

Q. Can we get a general idea of the range?

A. We were not limited much as to range for with our mediums based as they ^{Ulm and} were we could go into the Munich area ^{Sx}.

Q. What about Czechoslovakia?

A. No. ~~We did not go as far as Ulm, and into the Munich area.~~ The Cosum would give details as to our range and the targets attacked.

Q. What about moving our bases forward?

A. We did not move any of our bases forward until we crossed the Rhine. A-3 should furnish information regarding changes which were made in our bases. They did not affect the medium bombers range, but did affect the Fighters, and fighter-bombers.

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(Check Major Dean or A-4 or Combat Ops on selection of new air fields, etc.)

These airfields taken by the advancing forces were mainly used for re-supply operations, evacuation of prisoners and wounded, and for communications.

Q. I notice that on 18 March 50 French soldiers crossed the Rhine and spent 4½ hours on the other side.

A. That is probably one of the routine scouting patrols conducted by both sides. It has no major military importance.

Q. With regard to the crossing of the Rhine.

A. The initial attack on Zweiburg started on the Western left flank of the 7th Army. In connection with these offensives the 1st Tactical Air Force flew ¹⁶⁷⁰ ~~sorties~~ sorties including 311 medium bomber sorties. They had already prepared the way by attacks on supply lines, etc. The 7th Army aided by the advance of the 3rd Army followed so quickly the German withdrawals that our operations consisted almost exclusively of close support of the advancing Ground Armies. Our primary function was to attack the withdrawing enemy forces and to destroy them and disorganize them, and generally to prevent an orderly withdrawal, which we very effectively did. In connection with that withdrawal attacks were made on road net as well as the rail system leading out of the Siegfried Line defenses. (See the Signal D 446 25 April '45, also Notes D-S-4 dated 6 May '45 para. 13). During the week of the 24 March Fighter Bombers of the 12th and 19th TACs together claimed more than 4,000 vehicles destroyed and 3,000 damaged in the Landau-Neustadt-Pirmasens area.

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Q. When did the French cross the Rhine, and what part did we have in that.

A. The French followed the 7th Army; they crossed at Selz the first week in April against very feeble resistance from the German forces, who by that time were out-flanked. No broad preparatory planning of our effort was necessary for that crossing, air cover and close support were given, and it was an easy job.

Q. What were the major problems after crossing the Rhine and through the Siegfried Line.

A. The greatest difficulty at that time was the planning of the most effective employment of air power, but the problems we were faced with were chiefly these,- the enemy was retreating rapidly against his strategic reserve of supplies; we were trying to follow up as quickly as possible on the ground to accomplish his destruction. We started our operations East of the Rhine with a view to interdicting his supply routes, but quickly abandoned that because of the fact that he was retreating to his strategic supply depots. In any case, the more damage we did to the communications system the more difficulty there was in repairing it, and in drawing our forces up behind, so we abandoned the interdiction which was originally planned. While interdiction was not possible owing to the rapid advances of our Ground Armies, we attempted to immobilize the troop movements and transportation of supplies by shooting up moving traffic, concentration of vehicles, parks and depots, by our fighter bombers.

The medium bombers were directed against the ~~same~~ strategic POL and Ordnance Depots.

Now at the same time another problem arose in that the Strategic Air Force which had had a number of these large strategic depots on their target lists were unable to attack them because of the ground situation.

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Q. When did we begin to think about softening up the Redoubt and when did our air power begin to figure in it.

A. We began to think seriously about the Redoubt, about the time we crossed the Rhine, towards the end of March. Insufficient intelligence material had been gathered up to then upon which to base an air campaign, and concerted efforts were made by all Air Forces involved to obtain photographs of the entire area, and pin-point suitable air targets such as supply installations, road, rail communications, bridges etc. Tentative plans were made for attacking the roads by which the enemy would have to take troops and supplies. However, the ground situation developed so rapidly that the enemy was unable to make use of the Redoubt as a last stand retreat, and it was never necessary to stage any coordinated attacks on the Redoubt. We did attack targets in the Redoubt, but only because of retreating enemy troops in the vicinity.

By the time the Redoubt became of potential military significance the enemy's resistance was feeble and disorganized, the Italian front broke, the Eighth Army advanced up the Brenner and the Western Austria armies surrendered.

Q. At ^{which} ~~that~~ point was the Luftwaffe at its strongest, when were they the biggest threat, and where did they give the most trouble.

A. They were never a major threat to operations in our area.

Q. What about the jet aircraft.

A. They operated at two periods. One was early in the year when Jet aircraft attacked sporadically on the Western Front in an effort, apparently, to

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to harass our forces, and to break up our offensive air missions, but they never developed in sufficient strength, owing probably to shortage of fuel and trained pilots, and to their commitments in the North.

Q. Apparently they were never an actual menace.

A. With regard to their actual efforts, they were of no vital concern except for a short time, when, owing to the occupation of operations bases in the North and as far down as the Frankfurt area, they transferred Jet Reconnaissance and Bomber Groups to the South in the Stuttgart and Munich areas. After the middle of April we maintained continuous patrol of all airfields in the Stuttgart and Munich areas in an effort to intercept and shoot down hostile aircraft. That was the only period during which it was necessary for us to conduct an all-out counter-air program.

Q. Relative to the "Clearance of the Gironde Estuary."

A. There were two operations, one against enemy defenses in the Royan Sector, and the other in clearing the M'd'oleron area.

Q. With regard to Reconnaissance.

A. We were handicapped up to the 1 April by shortage of aircraft, equipment, and photographic interpreters for an adequate and necessary reconnaissance. Most of our interpreters in the 13th PID were occupied with the cover required by the Ground Armies, and we had insufficient staff to meet requirements for adequate photographic interpretation. After the 1 April we were provided with two Photo Recon. Squadrons and a complete Photo Tec. outfit of the 69th Photo Recon. Group, but they came too late to play a significant part in the conduct of our campaign.

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AT HIS HOUSE IN HEIDELBERG, 28 MAY, 1945

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- G General, I have a paper here the date of which I do not know which sets forth the scheme for air support of Ground Forces in France. I should think the date of this paper was probably sometime in September. At any rate it was before the decision was made to leave the Twelfth Air Force and the Fifth Army in Italy.
- W (The General examined the paper -- our document No. 1.) What do you want to fool around with a paper like this for? This comes out of a higher level and has nothing to do with First TAC.
- G It shows the air organizational planning for the final push against Germany and shows that First TAC was not thought of at that time and it gives some figures on the forces available

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in the theater for the support of the Sixth and Twelfth Army Groups and of the five armies -- that is, 23 Fighter Bomber Groups and 3 Recce Groups.

W That's right; but what has that got to do with you?

G Well, it was out of this juggling of available forces in the theater that First TAC grew, so that this paper is a starting point for an explanation of the origin of First TAC. To be specific, did the system of a tactical air force supporting an army group and a tactical command supporting each army work well, in your experience?

W Did it work well? If you go into that, you will call into question the whole organizational setup in the war. This is the way in which the air forces were arranged with regard to one another and there is no point now in questioning that. That's the way it was.

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G Well, between the Sixth Army Group and First. TAC was there any important friction between air and ground conceptions of how the cooperation was to be worked out.

W No, I am not aware of any friction. What do you mean?

G Well, I have picked up at Sixth AG and, by implication, from Major Selko the idea that there were sometimes conflicting theories about who should select targets.

W (Emphatically) There was never any question about who should select targets. How could there be? There is an Air Commander and he has absolute control of the use of Air Forces. The Ground Commander has nothing to do with that. How could he? The whole idea of command of the Air Forces is that people who understand airplanes the best shall direct them.

G I have gleaned that this position was sometimes questioned by the Ground Forces.

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W We worked closely together. Sometimes they would ask that such and such a target be hit. We would give our consent, or withhold it.

G Just like that?

W We understood what the possibilities and best uses of our airplanes were; and if there were more profitable uses of our airplanes than striking at the targets which the Ground Forces people suggested, we would have to take that into consideration and map out our program accordingly.

G I understand that a paper has been prepared at G-3 Air, Sixth Army -- a paper which I have not seen yet, but a copy of which I have been promised -- that deals controversially with the subject of "more profitable targets."

W There are other things that an Air Force has to consider than the targets that are most profitable for a given day to a Ground Force. Besides the tactical targets, we had a big strategic

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target program for the Air Forces in Europe as a whole. And consideration of what was most profitable from this latter angle was something which we alone were able to decide. Take the oil program, for instance, and then the communications program. Toward the end of the war the strategic targets disappeared very rapidly. That was the time when people were offering \$25.00 for a good target. At that stage our primary business was to aid the advance of the Ground Forces, to push the armies through. The strategic job was done.

Capt.
Giuliani

Capt. Giuliani, General Webster's Aide who was the only other person present, observed that there was a period towards the end of the war when the 42nd Wing was reporting to Army Fighter Control for decision on targets. He made this observation a propos the degree of cooperation that existed between ground and air.

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General, is there any paper in existence that would set forth the position which you have just

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explained? I have acquired in the last few days, by screening our top secret files, a good deal of important stuff from the early period before you came; but I have no such documents for the later period either on the trend of operations or on these major matters of policy.

W No, I don't know of any such paper. I haven't any.

G General, on March 6 when you first called your Staff Section Chiefs together, you devoted your remarks to three main subjects. I wrote a memorandum that day on the meeting and the first thing that you said was that (reading), "from time to time this headquarters must direct the operations of the combat units, tie them into a bigger picture than those lower down are always in a position to see. Aside from this the only excuse for this headquarters is service. We are here to help our units work out their problems." Then, I wrote in my memorandum the following: "This poses the first historical problem: the

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often-asked question, 'Why First TAC, at all?' A documented discussion of this question, based on high policy paper relating to the establishment of the Air Force and the definition of its mission is a prime historical necessity." It was in order to get a fuller discussion of this question of the need for First TAC and of how it filled the need in practice; that I began this evening with the over-all plan for air support of Ground Forces in France. I think that you have added something to my former ideas on the subject by saying that it was the basic organizational idea that there should be an air force to support each of the Army Groups, and so on, and that it is not necessary or profitable to go into that now.

W Yes, that was the basic idea. An air force working at the same level with each Army Group. The success with which it was worked out depended upon the degree of education of the ground people in air matters. If they hadn't learned of the need for absolute control of air forces by air commanders at so late a stage

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of the war as the period when I came to First TAC, (February 22, 1945) then it was too bad.

G You open up another big subject when you mention education. This implies a question of our staff education in the future; and presumably the records that we historical people collect now will go into the libraries of the air and staff collections of the future and will become the material from which future ideas of tactics and organization are developed.

W (General Webster nodded.)

G In the meeting of March 6 you devoted considerable time to the presence of French units in the Air Force. You praised their crews and cited their favorable operational record and referred to their difficulties. Would you care to enlarge on the remarks you made at that time?

W Well, I noticed that there was a great disposition towards self-criticism within the command. People in the headquarters were saying, "We are no good; we can't do anything; the French are a

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handicap; we have to carry them along as a burden." I wanted to nip that in the bud right away. You can never get anywhere with self-criticism even if you are not so hot. It isn't a bad idea to think that you are good and to be confident in the kind of job you are doing.

G Do you think it was an advantage to have international air forces brigaded within one air force?

W It was more or less a necessity. The French lacked a completely integrated air force. It was not like an American air force. We had to handle it, supply the French. It was a diversion from our own weak resources, especially signal-wise and maintenance-wise. The French had to be supplied by Americans and our air force was the outfit that was charged with getting the supplies to them, setting them up on their feet operationally and getting them up into the air. About the brigading of international air forces, there were obvious disadvantages but as I just said, it was a necessity. We and the British had to help them; or else they wouldn't be able to operate at all.

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- G Did the French improve, as the war progressed?
- W That's a matter of the operational record. They definitely improved.
- G Do you have, or do you know the whereabouts of, any reports of a high level nature on French operations and the way in which the liaison worked out at First TAC?
- W No, I don't know of any. Colonel Stern might know about that. Perhaps he had the biggest headache of all, in securing signal equipment for the French. And over in the files of the Service Command there may be some papers on the supply and maintenance problem.
- G I suppose SHAEF French Air Mission would keep books on everything supplied to the French.
- W No, we did all that. So far as I know the French Mission never came down here. They may have done, but I never heard of it. They were working on programs for supplying the French and getting approval of that supply through the two governments.

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When they got the approval, it was up to us to secure the stuff, and get it down to the French airfields and put the French units into operation.

G Do you think that our air force detachments with First French Air Force and the First French Bomber Wing worked out pretty well?

W Yes, on the whole. The SHAEF Air Mission supplied the approval for the function of a French Bomber Wing Headquarters. And it was up to our people to procure supplies, train personnel, and to assist with the whole functioning of the Air Force or Wing Headquarters. That is why we sent down a detachment from our headquarters to do that liaison work.

G The third point you brought up in the March 6 meeting was the separation of the Service Command from the Air Force proper. What considerations did you take into account in making that separation as soon as you arrived?

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W Having the Air Service Command within the Headquarters was an unwieldy arrangement. We had a deputy for administration in the Air Force who had all matters of personnel and supply and maintenance, etc. to worry about and in addition he was commanding general of the Air Service Command. This was an unwieldy arrangement. By separating the Air Service Command organization from the Air Force we gave ourselves much more flexibility of movement. You must remember we were concerned with the servicing of a tactical air force. Unlike some other kinds of air forces, a tactical air force must be mobile -- the headquarters must be mobile, too. A smaller headquarters can be moved more quickly than a bigger one; so in the interest of flexibility we set up an advance and rear headquarters for the Air Force and a separate headquarters for the Service Command. The justification for this was displayed when we moved to Heidelberg. We moved our forward echelon to Heidelberg, left the rear at Vittel, and also left the Service Command at Vittel but separate from the rear Air Force Headquarters.

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Again, the wisdom of this move was demonstrated at the end of the war. What was left of our headquarters after First TAC was dissolved went under Twelfth TAC and the Service Command came under the Ninth Air Force Service Command. If we hadn't made the separation between the two when we did, we should only have had to do it later, anyway. Another advantage, besides flexibility, of having a separate Air Service Command is that you have a fixation of responsibility under a definite command for supply and maintenance. There was nothing unusual about this separation. It is the usual form. It was the arrangement at Vittell that was unusual. That arrangement had been forced upon First TAC by the crowded conditions at Vittell and also by the fact that we were a hastily thought-up outfit operating on a shoe string both so far as personnel and equipment were concerned.

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G Thank you very much, General; it is getting late and we have covered some important stuff.

W I don't see how anything that I have told you is going to be of much help to you.

G It may be hard for you to realize how much light is shed upon vital matters by some of the remarks which you have made.

W There is one thing I wish you would tell me. How could anyone be so enthusiastic about history? What good does it do? Everything in the next war is going to be different. New planes, new weapons, new ideas. Everything that we have been using in this war will be discarded. In fact, too close a recording of everything we have done in this war may retard freedom in preparing new devices for the next one. What, then, is the good of all this history?

Capt. General, the Lieutenant is not really a historian; Giuliani he is really a P.R.O. You noticed whenever he asked a question about difficulties and errors he always asked what lessons had been learned from

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these errors. If he were an objective historian he wouldn't care about the lessons learned, he would just be interested in what actually happened.

G I am primarily interested in what actually happened and it is difficulties and mistakes that I want to know about most, because it is that kind of stuff that is so very hard to get any records on in the Army. But I am not ashamed to attach to my questions something about lessons learned, because I think it is probably true that the reason we are sitting here in Heidelberg now talking about this is that despite all the rough spots and mistakes, we learned quickly from them in many cases and thus have won the war.

W But what I want to know is, how can anyone get so excited about history?

G This is one of the hardest questions in the world to answer, because it involves one of the fundamental impulses of men. Almost from the time of our first records of man on earth we find that he is interested in his past, wants to know where he

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came from, and to record his own deeds and those of his family or nation. The Greeks, for instance, laid on nine muses and the chairlady of these muses was Clio, the muse of history.

W But all this history isn't going to do any good. No one is going to profit from it. The fundamental principles of war don't change at all. All that you have to have is a clear knowledge of a few fundamental principles and then to apply them.

Capt. Giuliani But don't you think that the Russians learned a lot in the planning of this war from their study of their former wars?

W No, they just applied the same fundamental plans as before.

Capt. Giuliani But I thought you told me once that the Russian system of logistics in this war was new?

W No, they were just applying to specific problems the same old fundamental principles.

G A lot of the things that the world thought Hitler was introducing to the world for the first time

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in 1940 weren't new at all. For instance, his engineers carried with them exactly-measured parts of bridges which could be set up quickly in the field without delaying the advance of troops across water barriers. But William the Conqueror when he crossed the Channel carried with him measured timber for the erection of a fort on his beachhead in England.

W But what I can't see is how you can possibly be qualified to write the history of what happened in this air force when you were only on the side lines all the time -- just an observer; and you didn't get there anyway until about the same time that I arrived.

G I ask myself the same question two or three times every day. The fact is that it is very hard to find qualified historians. There are very few people who have expert military knowledge and who also have historical inclinations and training. Colonel Ganoë, ETO Historian, is a combination of the two, and, now at the end of the War, I understand, he has returned to the States with some-

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thing like a nervous breakdown. However, I can arrange what documents I can get my hands on in some orderly fashion and write as conscientiously as I can some commentary upon them. If this work is read by better qualified people than me and it irritates them into correcting what I said, history will have been served to a small extent.

W So you are going to write an irritating history?

G Irritating, in the sense of stimulating.

W That's right, there can be no stimulation without irritation. But why not tell just the plain truth.

Capt. But who shall say what the plain truth is?
Giuliani

G Every individual and every generation has its own attitude toward the past, and its own idea of what is the true view of the past. That's why history has to be constantly re-written. People in some periods are very much more concerned with their past than others. The fact that every unit in the Army has an historical officer in this war and that all sorts of elaborate directives have

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been sent out trying to insure that all documents are preserved in an illustration of our tremendous pre-occupation with our past. This was symbolized when we buried a rocket containing a great mass of contemporary documents at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933 -- the rocket not to be opened for 5,000 years. That was just a great publicity stunt geared to our colossal interest in our own past.

Capt.
Giuliani

So you think that this throwing of the shuttle back and forth by historians -- one irritating another into a correction of the record is the way in which history has developed.

G Yes. For instance, an Englishman writes a book setting forth his conception of the development of Europe, and a German is irritated by it into another interpretation.

W Well, I wish you luck with all this and I hope that I shall be able to have a copy of it when it is done.

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CONFERENCE WITH BRIGADIER GENERAL

EDMUND C. LANGMEAD IN COLONEL

T.J. BROGAN'S OFFICE, ^{Heidelberg} 5 JUNE 1945.

Officers present:

Colonel Brogan
1st Lt. Grattan
1st Lt. Stewart

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G General, we have some early papers here. The first thing I want to ask you about is the relationship of First TAC ^{air support system of} to the ~~Ground~~ ^{just a} Forces in France. We have ~~some~~ papers here I don't know the date of --.

L Don't ask me to read any papers.

G It might possibly have proceeded from your office.

L Isn't it lovely to have pieces of paper without dates floating around! That piece of paper has nothing to do ^{with} ~~about~~ the way things were organized.

B ^{it was} ~~was~~ probably written around the 1st of July.

G (Reads from paper)

B The Fifth Army was definitely out, before ^{the move} ~~it~~ got into France. They stripped the Fifth Army to make the Seventh. The Seventh was already in existence.

L The people who ran ^{the organizing of First TAC} ~~this thing~~ never saw that paper.

G There is ^{6th AG} ~~a~~ directive dated 15 September, but ^{the existence of the} ~~this control~~ ^{supporting air force} was not assumed ~~at~~ at that time.

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L That's correct. First TAC was conceived the first week in October. It was ^{then} established as something that was going to be formed.

G (Lt. Grattan asks about the conference on the above)

L I was there.

There had been several preliminary meetings prior to that. One in Marseille and another meeting in Naples, ^{I think.} In August and September the previous conclusions were quite turned around, and they didn't abide by the prior meetings.

~~G Particularly August.~~

L (Asks for paper.) Let me see that. (Glances at paper) ^{minutes}
^{of October 7 meeting at St. Germain}
No, I wasn't there. ^{This} That's right, ~~it~~ was the next one.
~~I was there.~~ I missed this one with Craig.

G Who is Craig?

L He is Director of ^{O., C., & R.} ~~Organizations and Movements~~ in the ^{the Chief of the Army} Office of ~~the~~ ^{of Chief} Air Forces. He came over here with General Mason.

G The arrangements were made out of a suggestion that a Provisional Service Command should ^{be set} ~~come~~ up. Later on they suggested First TAC Provisional within the theater without consulting Washington. (Lt. Grattan then asks about the suggestion for one ^{Tactical Force} Air ~~Command~~ instead of the two previously suggested: ^{General Saville's proposal at} ~~October 7 meeting~~).

L That wasn't done.

G Was there any background?

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L ^{was}
The background [^] that Saville was trying to get
command of the thing -- which Spaatz wouldn't
accept.

B ~~Is that the same meeting where he recommends~~
~~to have the same rank as Air Commander?~~

G The transcript is a little ^{garbled} ~~scattered~~. (Reads)

L That was never accepted.

G At the very end of this meeting there is a dis-
cussion as to ^{whether} ~~why~~ the ^{TWELFTH} ~~XII~~ Air Force should move
into France.

L That was at the time impossible because it took
Combined Chiefs of Staff action to shift the ^{TWELFTH} ~~XII~~
Air Force up here. ~~The Combined Chiefs of Staff~~
~~discussed with the Seventh Army the remaining on~~
~~the Continent.~~ Then they had a little period of
dispute as to what forces had ^{been committed to} ~~come into~~ Southern
France and what forces hadn't. ^{TWELFTH} ~~XII~~ Air Force
assumed the position that some organizations were
only there temporarily. Those they withdrew to
Corsica. Thus, certain organizations including
the XII Service Command moved entirely out of France.
The cut between XII TAC, ^{and} the French Air Force, ^{on the one hand} and
^{MTO on the other} ~~MTO~~ was made at that time. They set a dividing
line between ETO and MTO about 10 September and
put ~~in~~ ^{into the ETO} a little more French, took the British out,
too. ~~(General Langhead tells a story)~~

G What forces were considered?

L There was an agreement between Spaatz and Eaker about 15 September and at that time there was actually a physical move back ^{to some} Service Units.

B ^{the 2nd Night Fighter Squadron} 416 or 417 was here and went back.

L Temporary loan basis. Those organizations were turned back.

~~B One night fighter, etc.~~

4 Then, that was when Spaatz really began to become interested. When he was in charge of supply. Now the reason why he couldn't get the Twelfth Air Force to come here intact . . .

Maitland Wilson

~~B Maitland Wilson.~~ ^{Maitland Wilson's comments to}
~~the command~~

L And his air officer ~~comments~~ to General Eaker ^{that he give up} about giving up the whole Twelfth Air Force ^{rather than take it} Later on it is taken to the Combined Chiefs of Staff. Spaatz said 'we will take what we have got'.

G ~~(Lt. Crattan then made a few remarks to the effect~~
~~that First TAC was formed out of this juggling of~~
~~units, wasn't it?)~~

L That's right. ~~(General Langford mentions again~~
~~the argument over Twelfth Air Force and says --)~~

He let that ride until the Combined Chiefs of Staff meeting ^{in North Africa} ~~at a later meeting on 7 March 1945~~ ^{just a few days later}.

around the 7th of March 1945, just before
the two Groups were moved - the 27th
and the 86th Fighter Groups.

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they issued
 L (continued) ~~Then~~ another directive ~~was issued stating~~ *which was* that the air forces in the ETO would be reinforced by elements of MTO. Details of that were agreed upon by the two commanders in late February or early March. At that time Spaatz said to Baker, 'We ended up short certain units and we would like very much for you to give up more units'-- another night fighter squadron, two fighter groups, ^{an} air depot groups, 1 service group and some other units, some ^{allied} ~~units~~ *which* included a signal ~~battalion~~ *and one* construction battalion, heavy. Those were the things which they thought they hadn't gotten the year before. *that maladjustment caused Spaatz to ask for a clarification.* ~~(General Langford says more about the maladjustment.)~~ This was corrected after the February conference, and it was agreed upon that air forces of ETO would be reinforced by MTO, and the details were worked out later between the commanders.

G Do you think it was a good idea to improvise this little air force at so late a stage of the war?

L O Christ yes! *It was a terrific idea.* ~~(says something about what Saville said of conditions in XII Tactical Air Command~~ *at present* ~~that conditions were~~ *chaotic.* ~~Saville wired, "are rapidly becoming critical."~~ *the French* The French were ~~then~~ attached to XII Tactical Air Command with Saville in charge, ~~(says something about while they were coming up the Rhone.~~ *On 15 February Twelfth Air Force came back.* *grew* *this was serious* Conditions rapidly ^{did} become chaotic. To secure for the Supreme Commander operational control of the French Air Forces and to supply the French with what they had

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to have couldn't be secured with an American
commander in command. ~~(He then says something~~
~~The Supreme Commander~~
~~about the fact that he couldn't move Gerard~~ ^{at out} ~~and~~
~~put Saville or Royce in.~~ ^{at the head.} Ninth could have run
four tactical air commands very well. ^{In fact, it tried}
~~illustrates the close control~~ ^{to have very} ~~...~~ ^{It says to me of the Commands} "You work with
Third Army and when you need help, and if they ~~can't~~
~~can't give it to you, etc.)~~ ^{from another TAC} ~~...~~ ^{then come to us.} Ninth Air Force
could have run the IXth, XIXth, XXIXth, and XIIth
Tactical Air Commands, just as easily as they could
have run three. ~~(He went on to say that the only~~
~~reason they didn't do the above~~ ^{So} ~~was because of the~~
French Air Force, and that for this reason they
needed First TAC (Prov)) Under the commitment ^{by} ~~of~~ ^{Mar. 1944}
~~De Gaulle~~ all of the French Air Forces were available
to the Supreme Commander. The Commander could pass
the command to the First Tactical Air Force Commander,
which he did do, too. SHAEF did give to General
Royce Command ^{not only} of the First French Air Force but
of the French Air Force of the West. The guiding
head of the French Air Force in the West was Royce.
~~(He says something about)~~ It wasn't for the direction of
U.S. it was for the direction of ^{the} French Air Force.
~~(Think he is referring to the reason for First TAC)~~

- G (Lt. Grattan asks for a further explanation)
- L ~~(General Langness says,~~ "Don't write that in the
history if you are going to give it to the French".)
- G (Lt. Grattan expresses his desire and need for
some mention of the above in the history.)

L Well, you could put it in the language of, "It might be assumed that an objective in the establishment of this was to do so and so"; or, "It might appear reasonable that --".

G I see. (Asks if he has a paper on the above)

L I don't have the paper. Never did have the paper by which De Gaulle made available the French Air Forces to the Supreme Commander, but he did so do. You could probably get it from SHAEF.

B Newspapers of the same date *would have it*

L French couldn't ~~go by~~ *go by* ~~themselves~~ *except through* ... ~~(except)~~

stet ~~Air Marshal~~ *Tender*, Eisenhower's Deputy.

~~(Gives explanation of shift)~~ IXth, XIXth, XXIXth and the

~~French~~ Air Commands were helping each other...The center of gravity so that we could give the maximum ~~help~~ *here*. Then shifted to the middle to give the power

there...Yes, we did; we shifted it down our way but called ~~it~~ *ing in* XXIX TAC. Then we shifted our fighter bombers down. That type of directive couldn't have

...in addition to TAC Air Command. French were too ^{supply,} much of a problem -- language, /communication difficulties. ~~we~~ *Ninth* could have handled four but not four

and a French. It was a very logical and profitable enterprise to establish this little provisional

air force.--to work on the South flank of Ninth Air Force and to have nothing to do but *look out*

for this southern flank.

G (Shows the General the chart secured from G-3, Sixth Army Group.)

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South Army Group
The people who run G-3, ~~have~~ have put in this *line* to
illustrate
~~for~~ the direct support of First French Army by
First French TAC, which was not approved by the
General. (Lt. Grattan asks the General if he
ever heard anything about a discussion on the
above) Stated ... was being sabotaged by the
fact that whatever information they did get
would be neglected by these two Generals ...
and by no other belief... Well, if this won't
be worked out in that way... the way in which it
was planned? *Did you ever hear anything about that*

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Discussion?
... G-3 was to (clat). Each division schemes for support
(the points to I TAC)
The only reason you want this fellow in here is
for this shifting of this force laterally... *and if this thing*
moving to this fellow. It moved to move up a target and
~~The move being reached later on by SHAEF.~~ The

Army would never have given up any of their
support for an *instantly*. They didn't know that the
rail ends were being. *attied* all over Germany. *Shifting*
of our Army's air force The only way you
get flexibility ~~over~~ army. That man, if he
is ... (That was Devers) *ignorant* appreciate? ... He turns

to Royce and says, "Put everything you can on the
Colmar Pocket." Royce says "you can have 20% for
Seventh Army, *and the other will go down somewhere*
else."

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Let's say it is no *strategy* thing. Does XII TAC really ...

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They worked out the details of everything that was
allocated under two divisions: (1) Pre-~~preferred~~ *briefed*
target, (2) Those who were on call by the Controller.
The detail, *of* those who were on call by the Controller -
All of that force was really under direction of the
Seventh Army, *Receives as well as direct movement over the hill* Air Force Area -- much more profitable
to go 200 miles to make sure that there ~~was~~ *was* no
major movements. We would direct so much on armed recce

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So much in close support-- general objectives--on rails, highways, bridges; the rest on the controller's reserves to be adequate for specific pin-points. If you are going to have any tactical coordination whatever -- of course, that we can, if you are going to have the ability to shift and any lateral elasticity, or any ready means of directing them ... ^{Bomber} Command, Eighth Air Force, and Fifteenth Air Force. When we go after these rail systems and airfields and some days Army headquarters, just to break up communications. ^{First TAC to the south} The first thing ^{North to the North} is the dope. You couldn't get that type of coordination out of XII Tac, ^{which} ~~that~~ was bound to the Seventh Army.

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G On the direct support ... ^{that General Webster could take the report over} ...information of Seventh Army and XII Tac ..

L We never tampered with that status at all. The next day we would get a report on what they hit.

G Has the mission of First TAC ever been stated?

L It wasn't politically expedient to do so.

G What about its mission with Sixth Army Group?

L There is nothing in writing.

G Did you ever see such a paper?

L (General ^{shook his head,} ~~doesn't answer.~~)

G Well, General, there's another big question and that is the whole question of supply. When you were first made head of the Service Command, what was your biggest problem?

- L (Don't put it down.) The equipment of the French, particularly signal equipment. *On the supply side, the French was like a sponge. From MTO*
- G You had the problem of making adjustment *to ETO supply channels.*
- L That wasn't particularly difficult. They simply drew on a depot in *Compiègne* instead of a depot in Naples. In the shift over some things were hung in air. There was a period of about 60 days, *when organizations, etc. were floating around loose;*
- G Do you think it was economical to have the Service Command *headquarters* overlapping the *unit.* *Air Force headquarters?*
- L I am the world's poorest judge. Ask Colonel Brogen. He was the guy that made it that way. *this third main force I've worked under, and it was*
- B It was the smoothest working administration *in the headquarters I have ever been in. It was* certainly economical in officers and EM man power.
- L Economical in energy, too. What was our strength?
- B 135 officers, 400 EM *for the combined headquarters. that doesn't include service units*
- L When split -- 250 officers, 800 EM. That's just Headquarters and Headquarters, the two units which made First Tac Air Force. *Headquarters.* General Deyers passed *it on to* *conditions in Vittel were crowded. That* *for this stream-* *on to me that was the motivating factor -- commu-* *lined head-* *quarters.* *communications and housing accommodations in Vittel.*
- This was the smoothest working organization which we could get. *The ordnance officer could do all the ordnance work, for example, for both outfits.*
- G The theory of having the *headquarters in together, as* *organization thing,* you accept as a principle that you approve of?

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At ~~that~~ ^{this} stage of war, ^{do you} when you are starting at scratch, you have ^{to build a terrific air force - a combat} a traffic ~~organization and~~ ^{and a} ~~combat~~ organization ^{organization} ~~service~~, ~~of course~~, and you have to pull people from here and there, ^{initially} ~~initially~~ ^{to do} ~~initially~~ you have two different kinds of jobs.

you have →

to do organizational building, ~~the~~ ^{how} ~~Schooling~~ people. You have got to teach people to drive, to repair hydraulic systems, and on the ^{other} side you have to teach them how to ~~fly~~ ^{fly} airplanes.

That is ^{in the} ~~Schooling stage~~

~~But when we were formed we were in~~ ~~Schooling stage~~. Separation of commands was ^{the operational} ~~the operational~~ interfering instead of helping ~~in~~ ^{the} operational stage. ~~Need~~ ^{you} one commander when facing the enemy.

So at this phase of the war - first five months of 1945, ~~in~~ ^{the} phase of bringing our power to bear against the enemy -- it was logical to bring the two commands together and bring them into the field.

G ~~They were going to bring the service, any weather they were in.~~

L We went to Vittre to do a job. ^{General Spaatz} He gave us a job.

I drew the path and went ahead with the job. We ^{with the interlocking headquarters} had better contact and control. Our service ~~ability~~ ^{Service} rating was higher than Ninth ~~Service~~ Air ~~Force~~ Command.

B Planes in the air were higher, too.

G Sixth A.G. has a paper complaining of the fact that our bombers were too far back. Also, a paper to indicate that the air force in ~~ETO~~ ^{held up, delaying} ~~supported~~ ^{ETO} signed by General Wilson. Was this an issue that came into your office?

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L We argued a little bit. We weren't held up so much by steel planking. The thing that was needed most was transportation.

B There was some difficulty about getting ^{our General Arnold} A. Wilson to ^{make} get it.

~~A That's not correct.~~

G Transportation history of First TAC ^{was tied in with} has something about 311st Ferring Squadron. What about that?

L You would never get that ^{little} story.

~~B Mutual was wanted...~~

L ATC was pushing USSTAF and accusing USSTAF of being ^{supposed} ~~jipped~~ by the British Squadron ^{at - Street A was} put down there because the only way SHAEF would approve ^{making} ~~it~~ was for it to be an organizational necessity.

G Could say ^{it was a} the scrap between RAF and ATC?

L That is not one of the chapters of our history to be proud ^{of} ever, by the way.

G ATC moved a detachment in just after the ^{ATC was} Ferring Squadron moved out. ^{down there} Russian planes, ^{when I was there in February. There were all} French planes. ^{Kind of planes they were a few Russian C-47's,}

L The place was big enough for everybody. I thought ^{the dispute} it was kind of silly when I went down to look at the place.

G Are there any other leads on this transportation problem?

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Moran moved by
L Little Leo Maron ~~was~~ a good man to talk to about transportation. He was the guy that was on the telephone all day long moving things. We didn't run out of gasoline. We didn't run out of ammunition. We didn't run out of bombs until the whole theater ran out of bombs. Transportation was difficult.

G When did the theater run out of bombs?

B March,

GP 500-16 G.P.s and 1000-16 G.P.s.
L 500 Gps, 1000 Gps. *Had* run out of certain types, *only*. Didn't run out of bombs, *but* certain types.

Then when we moved up to Germany we couldn't move much because we didn't have rail pass *up*

Saarbrücken and Kaiserslautern. XII Tac said, "We will be content with gas and ammunition."

By that phase of the war need for bombs had fallen off. They were mostly *substituted in* road strafing, *than*.

After moving into the Rhine, we had only gas.

Our record was 24,000. ~~We had been running about 10,000.~~ Have you got *out* that sortie record?

The rate of sorties brought up from November, December, January, by graph?

G Haven't got graphs on it. Will have to get it *from Tech Control* ourselves. Should be graphs; no other way to show it. Did you have any such charts?

L Threw ~~it~~ away the other day.

B *Ordnance*
Service Command or Maintenance may have it.

L Ordnance ought to have bombs and ammunition. Supply ought to be able to give you supply.
Don't know where you can get sorties

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B Maintenance would have it.

G ~~(Lt. Grattan asks the reason our records here
are not up-to-date.)~~

L ~~Due largely to the fact that USSTAF moved itself
from England to the Continent.~~

G There ought to be a lot of this stuff in ^{stat.} ~~staff~~
Control.

L ~~Manning doesn't know much about it.~~
Boys, that's about all...

G Thanks for your explanations, General.

B ~~Anything else regarding the history?~~

L Have you got any other questions?

G Regarding the Letters of Instruction. ~~the~~ ^{why was there a}
^{gap} ~~reason for the gap~~ in Letters of Instruction. ^{between}
~~November and March~~

B Due to two breaks.

L Royce ~~had decided to shift to 42nd Bomb Wing,~~
~~to XII Tac. He left 42nd Bomb Wing by itself~~
~~until Saville came into the picture. Saville~~
~~dropped the Letters of Instruction when he~~
~~came in. Put in detailed operation of 42nd~~
~~Bomb~~ ^{Wing} ~~itself. Next Letter of Instruction was~~
~~put in when Webster came in. We had a little~~
~~abnormal period of about 21 days when nothing~~
~~was done right.~~

THI:

B I think Letters of Instruction were suspended at ^{the time} Ardennes. Had to ^{do it} be done by telephone and teletype. About that time the Germans started their push through the Ardennes Forest; Particularly in G-2, in Sixth Army Group. Suddenly in December ^{they} the Germans started kicking up. The Germans would put a division ^{the} in line and move part of it. In the middle of December we ~~found our~~ 62 divisions facing ^{us} ~~62~~. That plan for moving to Fallesburg ^{was ripped in the end} was ~~mess~~ up by the advance of the Germans.

We moved back ^{December} about the 29th. Snow held them up all through ^{January} Germany. On the 1st day of February the sun came out. In March we proceeded.

S ^{Have you any suggestions as to the best} ~~Back down.~~ ^{break down of the phases of our}

L Then we moved to Vittel. They couldn't tell us what orders there were. We ^{about November 1st} finally ~~figured~~ out what we had ^{about the 15th}. Spent November and December getting a staff together. Staff not complete until about 15 January. On the 15th of January we were a completed and going concern. Building phase runs from 1 October--actually 20 October ^{you could call it a} up until 20 October -- policy discussion phase. ^{turned to} 20 October - Jan 10 -- construction phase, at which time we had a complete staff. In all that time we didn't do too much fighting. ^F fields were in bad shape. Outfits ^{were} way back in Lyon. P-47 outfit in Dole. Finally, got in a position in December. January was bad because of snow. In February we started to fight.

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February and March were operational.

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We intended to break our operations ~~down~~ in large

with *activities* *at account to compare*
 by Ground Forces. What do you think about breaking them down according to our own internal history?

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follows the ground forces break down
 I suggest you ... Since this is a tactical air force, immediate support of the Colmar Pocket, ~~Signal plan~~ ... By the way, when did they clean out the Colmar Pocket?

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asked for support and the Tactical Air Command
 When the Army was under a push and we were supporting it, was that a lateral or did it go through SHAEF?

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up at Tenth Tac.
 What did happen was this. Saville would have to give him what he wanted or turn him down. If he turned him down, then it came up ~~to~~ the next Commanders Conference which was held every Thursday at SHAEF, at which time if Tedder and Spaatz could get a decision they would do something about it.

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at USSTAF
 Lt. Grattan asks if they might see the minutes of these conferences.

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 Go up and ask the Historian to let you read it.

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Is there anything else in our Air Force outstanding, that sets it apart?

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Ought to mention that conditions of living were very difficult and we did have a very high morale in spite of the fact that, being provisional, we

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INTERVIEW WITH BRIGADIER GENERAL EDMUND C.
LANGMEAD IN COLONEL T.J. BROGAN'S OFFICE,
HEIDELBERG, 5 JUNE 1945.

Officers Present: Colonel Brogan
 1st Lt. Grattan
 1st Lt. Stewart

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- G General, we have some early papers here. The first thing I want to ask you about is the relationship of First TAC to the air support system of ground forces in France. We have, first, a paper here I don't know the date of -- .
- L Don't ask me to read any papers.
- G It might possibly have proceeded from your office.
- L Isn't it lovely to have pieces of paper without dates floating around! That piece of paper has nothing to do with the way things were organized.
- B It was probably written around the 1st of July.
- G (Reads from paper)

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- B The Fifth Army was definitely out, before the move into France. They stripped the Fifth Army to make the Seventh. The Seventh was already in existence.
- L The people who ran the organizing of First TAC never saw that paper.
- G There is a Sixth A.G. directive dated 15 September, but the existence of the supporting air force was not assumed at that time.
- L That's correct. First TAC was conceived the first week in October. It was established then as something that was going to be formed.
- G (Lt. Grattan asks about the conference on the above)
- L I was there. There had been several preliminary meetings prior to that. One in Marseille and another meeting in Naples, I think. In August and September the previous conclusions were quite turned around, and they didn't abide by the prior meetings.

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L (Asks for paper.) Let me see that. (Glances at paper -- Minutes of October 7 Meeting at St. Germain) No, I wasn't there. That's right. This was the next one. I missed this one with Craig.

G Who is Craig?

L He is Director of O., C., & R. in the Office of the Chief of the Army Air Forces. He came over here with General Mason.

G The arrangements were made out of a suggestion that a Provisional Service Command should be set up. Later on they suggested First TAC Provisional within the theater without consulting Washington. (Lt. Grattan then asks about the suggestion for one Tactical Air Force instead of the two previously suggested: General Saville's proposal at October 7 meeting.)

L That wasn't done.

G Was there any background?

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- L The background was that Saville was trying to get command of the thing -- which Spaatz wouldn't accept.
- G The transcript is a little garbled. (Reads)
- L That was never accepted.
- G At the very end of this meeting there is a discussion as to whether the Twelfth Air Force should move into France.
- L That was at the time impossible because it took Combined Chiefs of Staff action to shift the Twelfth Air Force up here. Then they had a little period of dispute as to what forces had been committed to Southern France and what forces hadn't. Twelfth Air Force assumed the position that some organizations were only there temporarily. Those they withdrew to Corsica. Thus, certain organizations including Twelfth Service Command moved entirely out of France. The cut between ETO and MTO about 10 September and put a little more

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French into the ETO; took the British out, too.

G What forces were considered?

L There was an agreement between Spaatz and Eaker about 15 September and at that time there was actually a physical move back of some service units.

B 416th or 417th Night Fighter Squadron was here and went back.

L Temporary loan basis. Those organizations were turned back. Then, that was when Spaatz really began to become interested. When he was in charge of supply. Now the reason why he couldn't get the Twelfth Air Force to come here intact . . .

Maitland Wilson's air officer recommends to General Eaker that he give up the whole Twelfth Air Force rather than take it to the Combined Chiefs of Staff. Spaatz said 'we will take what we have got'.

G First TAC was formed out of this juggling of units, wasn't it?

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L That's right. He let that ride until the Combined Chiefs of Staff meeting somewhere in the Mediterranean, around the 7th of March 1945, just before the two Groups were moved -- the 27th and 86th Fighter Groups. They issued another directive which was that the air forces in the ETO would be reinforced by elements of MTO. Details of that were agreed upon by the two commanders in late February or early March. At that time Spaatz said to Eaker, 'We ended up short certain units and we would like very much for you to give us more units' -- another night fighter squadron, two fighter groups, an air depot group, 1 service group and some other units, some ancillary units including a signal construction battalion, heavy. Those were the things which they thought they hadn't gotten the year before. That maladjustment caused Spaatz to ask for a clarification. This was corrected after the February conference, and it was agreed upon that air forces of ETO would be reinforced by MTO, and the details were worked out later between the commanders.

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- G Do you think it was a good idea to improvise this little air force at so late a stage of the war?
- L O Christ yes! It was a terrific idea. Saville wired that conditions at present in XII Tactical Air Command "are rapidly becoming chaotic". The French were attached to Twelfth Tactical Air Command with Saville in charge, while they were coming up the Rhone. On 15 February Twelfth Air Force drew back. This was serious. Conditions rapidly did become chaotic. To secure for the Supreme Commander operational control of the French Air Forces and to supply the French with what they had to have couldn't be secured with an American commander in command. The Supreme Commander couldn't move Gerardot out and put Saville or Royce in at the head. Ninth could have run four tactical air commands very well. In fact, it tried to have very close control. It would say to one of the Commands, "You work with Third Army and when you need help from another TAC, and if they can't give it to you, then come to us."

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- L Ninth Air Force could have run the Ninth, Nineteenth, Twenty-Ninth and Twelfth Tactical Air Commands, just as easily as they could have run three. The only reason they didn't do so was because of the French Air Force, and that for this reason they needed First TAC (Prov.). Under the commitment made by de Gaulle all of the French Air Forces were available to the Supreme Commander. The Commander could pass the command to the First Tactical Air Force Commander, which he did do, too. SHAEF did give to General Royce command not only of the First French Air Force but of the French Air Force of the West. The guiding head of the French Air Force in the West was Royce. It wasn't for the direction of U.S. it was for the direction of the French Air Force.
- G (Lt. Grattan asks for a further explanation.)
- L Don't write that in the history if you are going to give it to the French.

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- G (Lt. Grattan expresses his desire and need for some mention of the above in the history.)
- L Well, you could put it in the language of, "It might be assumed that an objective in the establishment of this was to do so and so"; or, "It might appear reasonable that --".
- G I see. (Asks if he has a paper on the above.)
- L I don't have the paper; never did have the paper by which de Gaulle made available the French Air Forces to the Supreme Commander, but he did so do. You could probably get it from SHAEF.
- B Newspapers of the same date would have it.
- L The French couldn't go by themselves, except through Air Marshal Tedder, Eisenhower's Deputy. The Nineteenth, Twenty-Ninth, Ninth and the French Air Commands were helping each other . . . The center of gravity so that we could give the maximum help then shifted to the middle to give the power there. . . Yes, we did; we shifted it down our way by calling in Twenty-Ninth TAC. Then we shifted our fighter bombers down. That type of

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directive couldn't have . . . in addition to TAC Air Command. French were too much of a problem -- language, supply, communication difficulties. Ninth could have handled four but not four and a French. It was a very logical and profitable enterprise to establish this little provisional air force to work on the south flank of Ninth Air Force and to have nothing to do but look out for this southern flank.

- G (Shows the General the chart secured from G-3, Sixth Army Group.) The people who run G-3, Sixth Army Group have put in this line to illustrate the direct support of First French Army by First French TAC, which was not approved by the General. (Lt. Grattan asks the General if he ever heard anything about a discussion on the above.)
- L (Goes over to chart) Each Division screams for support. The only reason you want this fellow in here (he points to First TAC) is for the shifting of this force laterally and of this

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thing directly to this fellow. The move being reached by a target laid on by SHAEF. The Army would never have given up any of their support for an instant. They didn't know that the rail ends were being tied all over Germany. You have to have flexibility over the Army's air force. Devers would turn to Royce and say, "Put everything you can on the Colmar Pocket." Royce would say, "You can have 20% for Seventh Army, and the other will go down somewhere else.

- G Let's say it is no strategic thing. What does XII TAC do?
- L They worked out the details of everything that was allocated under two divisions: (1) Pre-briefed target, (2) Those who were on call by the Controller. The details of who would be on call were worked out. All of that force was really under direction of the Seventh Army as well as were the Recce missions. The air force area was over the hill here. It was much more profitable to go 200 miles to make sure that there were no major movements. We would direct so much

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on armed recon; so much in close support -- general objectives: on rails, highways, bridges; the rest on the controller's reserves to be adequate for specific pin-points. If you are going to have any tactical coordination whatever -- of course, that we can, if you are going to have the ability to shift and any lateral elasticity, or any ready means of directing them -- Bomber Command, Eighth Air Force, and Fifteenth Air Force. When we go after these rail systems and airfields and some days Army headquarters, just to break up communications. The First TAC to the south and the Ninth to the North. You couldn't get that type of coordination of Twelfth TAC, which was bound to the Seventh Army.

- G --And on the direct support General Webster could take the expert recon information of Seventh Army and Twelfth TAC?
- L We never tampered with that status at all. The next day we would get a report on what they hit.
- G Has the mission of First TAC ever been stated?
- L It wasn't politically expedient to do so.

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- G What about its mission with Sixth Army Group?
- L There is nothing in writing.
- G Did you ever see such a paper?
- L (The General shook his head.)
- G Well, General, there's another big question and that is the whole question of supply. When you were first made head of the Service Command, what was your biggest problem?
- L Don't put it down. (The equipment of the French, particularly signal equipment. On the supply side, the French were like a sponge.)
- G You had the problem of making adjustment from MTO to ETO supply channels.
- L That wasn't particularly difficult. They simply drew on a depot in Compiegne instead of a depot in Naples. In the shift over some things were hung in air. There was a period of about 60 days, when requisitions, etc. were floating around loose.
- G Do you think it was economical to have the Service Command headquarters the Air Force headquarters?

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- L I am the world's poorest judge. Ask Colonel Brogan. He was the guy that made it that way.
- B This was the third air force I've worked under, and it was the smoothest working, administratively, of any headquarters I've ever been in. It was certainly economical in officers and EM man power.
- L Economical in energy, too. What was our strength?
- B 135 officers, 400 EM for the combined headquarters.
- L When split -- 250 officers, 800 EM. That doesn't include ancillary and service units. That's just headquarters and headquarters squadrons of the two units which made First PAC Air Force Headquarters. General Levers passed it on to me that conditions in Vittel were crowded. That was the motivating factor for the streamlined headquarters -- communications and housing accommodations in Vittel. This was the smoothest working organization which we could get. The ordnance officer could do all the ordnance work, for example.
- G The theory of having the two headquarters together, you accept as a principle that you approve of?

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L At this stage of the war, yes. When you are starting at scratch, you have to build a terrific air force -- a combat organization and a service organization, and you have to pull people from here and there, initially, to do all kinds of jobs. You have to do organizational building: -- school people -- You have got to teach people how to drive, to repair hydraulic systems, and on the other side you have to teach them how to fly airplanes. That is in the schooling stage. But when we were formed we were in the operational stage. Separation of commands was interfering instead of helping in the operational stage. You need one commander when facing the enemy. So at this phase of the war -- first five months of 1945 -- phase of bringing our power to bear against the enemy -- it was logical to bring the two commands together and bring them into the field.

G They were going to bring the service, any weather they were in.

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- L We went to Vittel to do a job. General Spaatz gave us a job. I drew the path and went ahead with the job. We had better contact and control with the interlocking headquarters. Our serviceability rating was higher than Ninth Air Service Command.
- B Planes in the air were higher, too.
- G Sixth A.G. has a paper complaining of the fact that our bombers were too far back. Also, a paper to indicate that the air force in MTO held up delivery of steel planking to ETO, signed by General Wilson. Was this an issue that came into your office?
- L We argued a little bit. We weren't held up so much by steel planking. The thing that was needed most was transportation.
- B There was some difficulty about getting our General Arnold Wilson to move it.
- .G Transportation history of First TAC was tied in with the 311th Ferrying Squadron. What about that?

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L You would never get that story. ATC was pushing USSTAF and accusing USSTAF of being gypped by the British at Istres. A squadron was put down there, because the only way SHAEF would approve moving an outfit in there was for it to be an organizational necessity.

G Could say it was a scrap between RAF and ATC?

L That is not one of the chapters of our history to be proud of, by the way.

G ATC moved a detachment in just after the Ferrying Squadron moved out. ATC was down there when I was there in February. There were all kinds of planes there, even a few Russian C-47's.

L The place was big enough for everybody. I thought the dispute was kind of silly wehn I went down to look at the place.

G Are there any other leads on this transportation problem?

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L Little Leo Moran would be a good man to talk to about transportation. He was the guy that was on the telephone all day long moving things. We didn't run out of gasoline. We didn't run out of ammunition. We didn't run out of bombs until the whole theater ran out of bombs. Transportation was difficult.

G When did the theater run out of bombs?

B March.

L 500 -lb. G.P.'s and 1000 - lb G.P.'s. — We had run out of certain types, only. Didn't run out of all bombs. Just certain types. Then when we moved up to Germany we couldn't move much because we didn't have rail passage to Saarbrücken and Kaiserslautern. XII TAC said, "We will be content with gas and ammunition." By that phase of the war need for bombs had fallen off. They were mostly interested in road strafing then. After moving into the Rhine, we had only gas. Have you got our sortie record? The rate of sorties brought up from November, December, January, by graph?

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- G Haven't got graphs on it. Will have to get it ourselves from Stat. Control. Should be graphs; no other way to show it. Did you have any such charts?
- L Threw it away the other day.
- B Service Command or Ordnance Maintenance may have it.
- L Ordnance ought to have bombs and ammunition. Supply ought to be able to give you supply. Don't know where you can get sorties.
- B Maintenance would have it.
- G There ought to be a lot of this stuff in Stat. Control.
- L Boys, that's about all.
- G Thanks for your explanations, General.
- L Have you got any other questions?
- S Regarding the Letters of Instruction, why was there a gap in Letters of Instruction between November and March?
- B Due to two breaks.

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- L Saville dropped the Letters of Instruction when he came in. Put in detailed operation of 42nd Bomb Wing itself. Next Letter of Instruction was put in when Webster came in. We had a little abnormal period of about 21 days when nothing was done right.
- B I think Letters of Instruction were suspended at the time of Ardennes. Had to do it by telephone and teletype. About that time the Germans started their push through the Ardennes Forest; suddenly in December they started kicking up. The Germans would put in a division in the line and move part of it out right away. In the middle of December we thought we had 82 divisions facing us. The plan for moving our headquarters to Phalsbourg was nipped in the bud by the advance of the Germans. We moved back the advanced command post about December 29th. Snow held them up all through January. By the end of January the Bastogne incident had been sort of clarified. On the first day of February the sun came out. In March we proceeded.
- S Have you any suggestions as to the best breakdown of the phases of our history?

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- L When we moved to Vittel, they couldn't tell us what orders there were. We spent the time till about November 15 figuring out what we had. Spent November and December getting a staff together. Staff not complete until about 15 January. On the 15th of January we were a completed and going concern. Up until 20 October, you could call it a policy discussion phase. Twentieth October to January 10: construction phase, at which time we had a complete staff. In all that time we didn't do too much fighting. Fields were in bad shape. Outfits were way back in Lyon. P-47 outfit in Dole. Finally, got in position in December. January was bad because of snow. In February we started to fight.
- G Operation CLARION came in February.
- L February and March were operational.
- G We intended to break down our operational account to correspond with Ground Forces activities. What do you think about breaking them down according

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to our own internal history?

L I suggest you follow the Ground Forces break-down, since this is a tactical air force. By the way, when did they clean out the Colmar Pocket?

G February 8.

S When the Army asked for air support and the Tactical Air Command couldn't supply it, was there a lateral shift or did it go through SHAEF?

L What did happen was this. Saville up at Twelfth TAC would have to give the Seventh Army Commander what he wanted or turn him down. If he turned him down, then it came up at the next Commanders Conference which was held every Thursday at SHAEF, at which time if Tedder and Spaatz couldn't get a decision they would do something about it.

G Lt. Grattan asks if they might see the minutes of these conferences.

L Go up and ask the historian at USSTAF to let you read them.

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S Is there anything else in our Air Force outstanding, that sets it apart?

L Ought to mention that conditions of living were very difficult and we did have a very high morale in spite of the fact that, being provisional, we couldn't make any promotions, which seems to be a necessary factor as far as morale goes. The morale was good through a very, very bitter winter with no heat. We won the war under extremely difficult conditions. Very difficult conditions. As different as Heidelberg is from the rest of Germany.

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INTERVIEW WITH LT. COL. ROGER DUHAZE
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, A-2, FRENCH
SECTION, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE
JUNE 10 1945.

Present: 1st Lt. Fain
1st Lt. Grattan

F The first thing I want to know is how the Headquarters Detachment, French Section, was set up.

D Well, General Royce set it up when the French Air Corps was laid in his hands. He asked for us. It was supposed to be an entirely operational unit; we weren't to have anything to do with administration or supply. Just A-2 and A-3. General Langmead was very insistent that all administrative matters be handled by the Service Command, by Col. Buchet.

F Do you remember any early discussions, before the formation of First TAC AF, about what part the French were to play in it?

D Yes, there was one early in October.

F At Caserta?

D That's right. You should see Hartemann. He represented the French there.

G Wasn't it Commandant Blumenthal? From USSTAF?

D Yes, that's right. It was Blumenthal. From USSTAF.

F Were there any discussions, any high-level disputes, about whether the French would be an independent air force, or whether they would come under the Americans?
-- Or as to how much control there would be?

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- D No, Not at all. It was always agreed that they should come under the American Air Force. You see, before the conference the French Air Corps was under XII TAC. That was the idea of the conference, to take them out of XII TAC.
- F --And put them on a level with it, instead of under it, and put a third, higher command, over it, so that the two units, which were the same, would be parallel?
- D That's right.
- G They were under XII TAC at the southern France landings, weren't they? They were called the Air Forces of the Rhine and Rhone.
- D Yes, but it was the First French Air Corps. There was the 1st Fighter Group, 4th Group with three squadrons, one squadron of 3rd Group, and Six Marauder Squadrons.
- F They were set up in Corsica, weren't they?
- D Yes, they had to be under XII TAC there because they didn't have enough signals and supplies.
- F So really they were moved up and given more freedom when they were taken out of XII TAC.
- D Yes. It was always promised that they would be completely free, as soon as it was possible.
- F Another thing. Later on, when the French Bomb Wing was placed under the command of General Doyle, were there any objections on the part of General Gérardot or anyone else?

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- B Not much progress, I should say. The best pilots in the French Air Force are still the older ones.
- D Yes, all the really good pilots are the old ones -- men of thirty or more. So you cannot say much progress was made there. You know that Frenchmen have always been good pilots, but I do not think that the younger ones, now, are quite as good.
- F Do you think the French Air Force is capable of standing alone now?
- B Yess -- with some exceptions. Of course, France is very poor, so from the point of view of supply, we cannot go on without American help. Planes, equipment, food -- we need all those.
- F But from the point of view of personnel?
- B From the point of view of personnel, yes -- but with one exception. Signals -- we haven't enough personnel trained in signals. We need specialists in that field.

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I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)

XII Tactical Air Command JAN-JUNE 44 Aug 44

42nd Bombardment Wing (M)

63rd Fighter Wing

64th Fighter Wing

71st Fighter Wing

Engineer Command (Prov), I TACAF (Prov)

TACTICAL AIR UNITS:

27th Fighter Group (SE)

522nd Fighter Sq

523rd Fighter Sq

524th Fighter Sq

50th Fighter Group (SE)

10th Fighter Sq

81st Fighter Sq

313th Fighter Sq

86th Fighter Group (SE)

525th Fighter Sq

526th Fighter Sq

527th Fighter Sq

324th Fighter Group (SE)

314th Fighter Sq

315th Fighter Sq

316th Fighter Sq

358th Fighter Group (SE)

365th Fighter Sq

366th Fighter Sq

367th Fighter Sq

371st Fighter Group (SE)

404th Fighter Sq

405th Fighter Sq

406th Fighter Sq

415th Night Fighter Sq

417th Night Fighter Sq

82nd Fighter Control Sq

328th Fighter Control Sq

Prov Recon Group (XII TAC)

34th Photo Recon Sq

111th Tac Recon Sq

162nd Tac Recon Sq

69th Tactical Recon Group

10th Tactical Recon Sq

22nd Tactical Recon Sq

2nd Photo Tech Unit

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37th Bombardment Sq

95th Bombardment Sq

432nd Bombardment Sq

320th Bombardment Group (M)

441st Bombardment Sq

442nd Bombardment Sq

443rd Bombardment Sq

444th Bombardment Sq

TACTICAL AAA UNITS:

213th Antiaircraft Artillery Group

353rd Antiaircraft Searchlight Bn

439th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Bn

894th Antiaircraft Artillery AW Bn

SERVICE UNITS:

- 33rd Service Group

- 310th Service Group

- 318th Service Group

- 319th Service Group

- 333rd Service Group

- 1st Air Service Sq

- 51st Air Service Sq

- 57th Air Service Sq

- 86th Air Service Sq

- 98th Air Service Sq

- 304th Air Service Sq

- 321st Air Service Sq

- 340th Air Service Sq

- 462nd Air Service Sq

- 556th Air Service Sq

- 302nd Airborne Sq

- 24th Mobile Reclamation & Repair Sq

- 31st Mobile Reclamation & Repair Sq

DEPOT UNITS:

- 19th Air Depot Group

- 86th Air Depot Group

- 19th Depot Repair Sq

- 32nd Depot Repair Sq

- 19th Depot Supply Sq

- 98th Depot Supply Sq

- 4th Depot Unit, Army (AR)

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T ENGINEER UNITS:

- 1993rd Engr Fire Fighting Platoon
- 2056th Engr Fire Fighting Platoon
- 2062nd Engr Fire Fighting Platoon
- 2138th Engr Fire Fighting Platoon
- 2148th Engr Fire Fighting Platoon
- 2151st Engr Fire Fighting Platoon

ORDNANCE UNITS:

- 1444th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1445th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1476th Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Platoon

- 1590th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1595th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1636th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1644th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1658th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1664th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1667th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1722nd Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Co
- 1926th Ordnance Ammunition Co
- 1951st Ordnance Depot Co (Avn)
- 2014th Ordnance Maintenance Co, AF

QUARTERMASTER UNITS:

- 419th Quartermaster Platoon, ADG
- 431st Quartermaster Platoon, ADG
- 440th Quartermaster Platoon, ADG
- 1111th Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1125th Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1144th Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1242nd Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1243rd Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1244th Quartermaster Co, Service Group
- 1933rd Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 1936th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 1955th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 1972nd Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 1974th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 1994th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 2008th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 2204th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 2210th Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)
- 2242nd Quartermaster Truck Co (Avn)

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SIGNAL UNITS:

1st Signal Co Depot (Prov)
322nd Signal Company, Wing
324th Signal Company, Wing
346th Signal Company, Wing
385th Signal Service Company
439th Signal Construction Bn (H)
446th Signal Construction Bn (H)
449th Signal Construction Bn (H)
459th Signal Construction Bn (H)
562nd Signal AW Bn
582nd Signal AW Bn
593rd Signal AW Bn
849th Signal Intelligence Svce, Det "D"
-878th Signal Depot Co (Avn)
927th Signal Bn (Sep), TAC
-1016th Signal Company, Svce Group
-1028th Signal Company, Svce Group
-1057th Signal Company, Svce Group
-1109th Signal Company, Svce Group

MISCELLANEOUS UNITS:

895th Military Police Co
-1184th Military Police Co
1227th Military Police Co
1262nd Military Police Co
62nd Army Postal Unit
156th Army Postal Unit
802nd Army Postal Unit
692nd Army Air Forces Band
-803rd Chemical Co, Air Operations
867th Chemical Co, Air Operations
873rd Chemical Co, Air Operations
72nd Liaison Sq
167th Liaison Sq
-1st Medical Supply Platoon
202nd Medical Dispensary (Avn)
13th Photo Intelligence Detachment
2nd Radio Squadron Mobile (G)
2nd Tactical Air Comm Sq
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11th Vet Section (Avn)
14th Vet Section (Avn)
19th Vet Section (Avn)
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2 May 1945

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General Barcus stated Army moving to Augsburg this week and XII TAC plans to move up next Saturday. 64th has moved up to Schwabish Hall. MEW will be moved up ten miles east of Augsburg and new one will be placed in vicinity of Schwabish Hall. Pilot situation is not as critical as previously stated - can see way for two months. Supply situation is very good. Field situation if works out as planned will be very good, as will assist in number of sorties, etc.

Service Command Situation

Endeavoring to bring supplies up to this side of the Rhine. Heilbronn will be established as a supply dump. Have mostly gasoline and ammunition there at present as flying same in.

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Commanders' Meeting, 2 May cont'dSECRETStrafing & Bombing Procedure

After discussion was decided strafing and bombing to be limited to direct support of the Army at the Army's request.

Re-deployment

General Langhead requested that Commanders make sure that the records the soldiers be checked and posted as to their Military MOS, etc and that soldier agrees with it. 42nd Bomb Wing is pretty well up on their records. However, XII TA is not too good. Survey team will go out tomorrow and will report back on Sunday as to what has to be done, etc. Misc. organizations being taken care of by this Headquarters. Service Command also working on problem.

Food Situation

General Webster stated that draft of scale for food consumption of units is being worked out as to limited amount.. Also selection as to which units are classified as hard working, etc.

V-E Day Celebration

Celebration to be left up to each Commander - as long as they have control of their people. General Webster stated he would not make any definite plan.

Post-Hostilities

General Webster stated this would be a big problem and that serious thought and planning should be given same. Directed that all Commanders start working on this seriously and draw up directive to cover V-E day plus three at least. General Webster stated desired to see program drawn up by Maj Subolsky which is going on to units on this subject and redeployment.

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Brig. Generals NED SCHRAM, D/C for Operations
E. C. LANGHEAD, D/C for Administration
JOHN P. DOYLE, CG, 42nd Bomb Wing
GLENN O. BARCUS, CG, XII TAC
J. G. WILLIAMS, CG, I TACAF Svc Comd
PAUL GERARDOT, CG, First French Air Corps
Colonel C. E. CRUMLINE, Chief of Staff
Lt. Colonel ALVIN T. BOWERS, 213 AAA
F. BESNARDS, French Section
Commandant A. DECERVEN

Hq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

This Air Force to be liquidated as quickly as possible. All units to go under the Ninth Air Force. General Spaatz desires that liquidation be completed by the 15th of May. However, General Webster requested sufficient time to close same. After discussion, it was decided this could probably be done by the 20th. Wants all matters between XII TAC and 42nd BW with this Headquarters to be closed out as quickly as possible. Major problems are awards and decorations, completion of efficiency reports and filling in of Form 66-1. C/S to check on these items.

General Langhead offered two solutions as to handling of the liquidation of this Air Force: (1) To take Staff people in this headquarters and slip them into Staff divisions of the Hq, Ninth Air Force or (2) to have General Vandenberg set up a Ninth Air Force Composite Division with General Webster as CG for the express purpose of liquidating this Air Force. All Staff Sections to stay here and pass units into redeployment area, handle French situation, etc.

General Webster of the opinion this latter plan would be the best and would discuss further with General Vandenberg. It would eliminate having to move personnel, housing problems, etc. as this is good set-up.

General Webster stated that he would make no decisions as to policies, moves, etc, effecting this Air Force without checking with Ninth as did not know their exact plans.

General Langhead stated Air Depots to be set up at Laon and Reims and from that, our depot at St. Dizier was in good location. 19th ADG to be moved from Nancy/Essey to place thirty miles west of Munich under present Ninth Air Force plan.

XII TAC to check on awards and decorations of their personnel. 42nd BW to award almost all their flying personnel with Air Medal - XII TAC to do likewise. C/S stated Col. Wheaton checking with all units to be sure they get their awards and decorations in by the 11th of May - should be able to complete processing of same here by the 15th.

It will be necessary to cut down personnel in the units and go back to T/O strength. Pilots with most missions will cause most trouble and the commands will be able to cut down by arranging for their return home. Col. Wheaton is checking today to find out how many USSTAF can take and assure their going home and not being sent to Replacement Centers and 'knocked around'.

French Situation

Until Sixth Army Group divorces First French Army, we will still keep control of the First French Air Corps.

French AAA units to be turned over to the First French Air Corps for their control as of today. General Schramm to arrange for order to be issued.

Our Service Command to retain contact with French Service Command.

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Commanders' Meeting, 8 May 1945, cont'd.

General Webster stated Ninth would relinquish control of F&F when the above situation occurred. Recommending that this Hq stay as is as equipped to handle French situation.

General Gerardot questioned as to supplies. They are to remain as at present. Maintenance, etc will go thru COM Z but initial equipment for units being organized will be stopped. General Gerardot requested he be advised at the earliest possible date if any changes were to be made.

General Langmead to check on what is to be done with all property held by the French on loan from the US Forces.

I/15 Transport Group: French Air Ministry requested that it be moved to Nancy/Azelot but General Gerardot wants it moved to Lunville. This agreeable with this Air Force and we will reassign Lunville to French but actual matter should be handled between SH&EF and French Air Ministry. Matter should be checked thru the Ninth Air Force before any decision made however, as they might want to use Lunville for something else.

Homing Lights

Seventh Army wants them back in order to consolidate a searchlight battalion. XII T&C and 42nd BW agreed to returning them. However, 213th AAA will arrange for lights at Dijon thru the 56th Brigade.

Perimeter Guard

AAA stated offer to assist still good. XII T&C stated they could use their assistance in the guarding of Intelligence Objectives. However, General Webster stated we should check with IX ADC to be sure it was Okay.

Evaluation of High Priority Air Intelligence Objectives

XII T&C have organized teams to inspect objectives reported by Seventh Army and then place guard accordingly. General Spaatz had informed us previously he was sending liaison officer to help evaluate objectives. However, he has not yet arrived. General Langmead to check USST&F today as to his whereabouts. General Schramm to advise USST&F today by TWX as to what we have done and are doing.

Draft of Liquidation Orders

General Webster stated he felt we should start working on same. Orders to be sent to Commanders as soon as possible. Also they are to have as much advance notice as possible.

Replacement Aircraft for 42nd BW

General Doyle requested that replacement aircraft enroute for them be stopped. General Williams to handle this matter.

Service Groups, Special

General Doyle stated he understood this transition was taking place and questioned as to who would be administratively responsible for their service groups, special. General Langmead stated that USST&F and Ninth wanted this to go ahead but requested it be held pending for a week when they expect letter giving numbers, etc. General Langmead to check on whether these groups will be attached to combat groups for administration immediately or whether they will be administered by the Service Command. Also as to Ninth Air Force's intentions.

Sixth Army Group

General Webster stated he had seen General Devers yesterday and General Devers requested that his appreciation be expressed to the Commanders. Stated the job which was done could not have been better than it was.

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General Webster reported on information had obtained as to who was returning to the States, etc.

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A Commanders' Meeting was held at this Headquarters, at 1100 hours,
27 September 1944. The following were present:

Major Generals	H. S. VANDENBERG	Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
	E. R. QUESADA	Commanding General, IX Tactical Air Comd.
	S. E. ANDERSON	Commanding General, 9th Bomb Div (M)
Brig. Generals	R. E. NUGENT	Commanding General, XXIX Tactical Air Comd.
	N. SCHRAEM	Commanding General, IX Air Def. Comd.
	W. L. RICHARDSON	Deputy Commanding General, IX Air Def. Comd.
	O. P. WEYLAND	Commanding General, XIX Tactical Air Comd.
	M. R. WOOD	Commanding General, IX Air Force Sv. Comd.
	J. B. NEWMAN	Commanding General, IX Engr. Comd.
	G. P. SAVILLE	Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Comd.
	H. L. SANDERS	9th Bomb Div (M)
Colonels	W. W. MILLARD	Asst. Chief of Staff, Ninth Air Force
	C. W. SCHOTT	Dir. of Plans & Org., Ninth Air Force
	W. G. BOOTH	Asst. Dir. of Plans & Org., Ninth Air Force
	G. F. McGUIRE	Director of Operations, Ninth Air Force
	R. M. LEE	Deputy Commander for Opns., Ninth Air Force
	T. J. CODY	Director of Communications, Ninth Air Force
	B. L. RIGGS	Director of Supply, Ninth Air Force
	C. STROH	Air Inspector, Ninth Air Force
	J. G. HALL	Director of Reconnaissance, Ninth Air Force
	T. S. MOORMAN, JR.	Director of Weather, Ninth Air Force
	C. M. SEEBACH	Director of Administration, Ninth Air Force
	E. G. HAMMEL	26th Statistical Control Unit, Ninth Air Force
	P. DIXON	Director of Intelligence, Ninth Air Force
	G. W. LESTER	Inspector General, Ninth Air Force
	D. M. FEEVES	
Lt. Colonels	O. O. PRICE	IX Engr. Comd. Liaison Officer
	J. H. BOYD	Organization, Ninth Air Force
	R. W. GREEN	IX Air Force Sv. Comd.
	GRUNDER	IX Air Force Sv. Comd. Liaison Officer
	S. L. MOISE	Asst. Dir. of Personnel, Ninth Air Force
	QUORRIER	Asst. Communications Officer, XXIX Tactical Air Comd.
Major	K. P. SIEGFREID	Secretary of the General Staff, Ninth Air Force

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1. Colonel LEE opened the meeting by introducing the subject of communications. Certain messages have been re-routed to go via courier others have been reduced in classification, and as a result the speed of transmission of messages has improved considerably. However there is still room for improvement.

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2. General VANDENBERG stated that the transmission of Red Line messages is not being effected as fast as he desires it, and reminded the commanders that it was their individual responsibility to investigate any delays incurred, and to continually stress the importance of getting Red Line messages through promptly as this is the only available means of immediate communication between the commanders.

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3. Assignment of units and allocation of airdromes was next subject for discussion. The solution for proper assignment and allocation was influenced by several factors:

a. Ninth Air Force Engineer reported that fields in southern France were unsuitable for B-26 aircraft.

b. The outlook for future operations, with emphasis to First Army with consequent weight of tactical aviation to IX Tactical Air Comd.

c. Provision of service units for XII Tactical Air Comd. requires that service teams be taken from night fighter units. This requires night fighter squadrons to be based on fields with other tactical groups.

d. A proposal to assign an A-20 group to two TAC's for night intruder missions.

After discussion of the above points, the following assignment of units and allocation of fields was agreed upon:

IX Tactical Air Comd.

365 and 368 Fighter Groups	A-89 or A-84	Le Culot Chievres
404 and 48 Fighter Groups	A-92	St. Trend
367 Fighter Group	A-93	Liege/Bierset
370 and 474 Fighter Groups)		
422 Night Fighter Squadron)	A-78	Florennes/Juzzaine
67 Recce	A-87	Charleroi

XXIX Tactical Air Comd.

373 Fighter Group	A-62	Reims/Champagne
36 Fighter Group	A-68	Juvincourt
366 Fighter Group	A-70	Laon/Couvron
363 Recce	A-97	Sandweiler
(Alternate)	A-70	Laon/Couvron

XIX Tactical Air Comd.

362 Fighter Group	A-79	Prosnas
406 Fighter Group	A-80	Mourmelon-Le-Grand
358 Fighter Group	A-67	Vitry
(may move to A-64, St. Dizier, if field is unserviceable)		
405 Fighter Group	A-64	St. Dizier
354 Fighter Group	A-66	Orcante
10 Recce and 425 Night Fighter	A-82	Verdun

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XII Tactical Air Comd.

- 50 Fighter U. S.
- 371 Fighter U. S.
- 324 Fighter U. S.

(This group will move to first of Nancy fields to become available).

- 4 Fighter Wing (French)
- 339 Fighter Wing (French)
- 1 Recce Group
- 415 Night Fighter Squadron
- 31 B-26 Group (French)
- 34 B-26 Group (French)

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- 97 Wing
- 98 Wing

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(After all fighter moves are completed, 98 Wing will be able to move to A-69, 71, 72, 74).

The above assignment of units and fields should be sent at once to the Engineer and Service Commands in order that they may plan field construction and stockage of fields.

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4. General NEWMAN, on being questioned as to certain fields, replied that work had been held up on quite a few of them during the past few days, but he would try to get them in shape as soon as possible.

a. General NEWMAN stated that Liege would be ready on the 5th; A-92 had one runway complete with mother to be ready by the 31st; A-78 created quite a problem inasmuch as B-24's are operating from this field and will not permit the fighter units to operate as they should. General VANDENBERG asked General NEWMAN to submit a list of the fields on which heavy planes should not operate as they would destroy the fields. This matter will be taken up with the proper parties to prevent heavier aircraft from using those fields.

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b. With further reference to readiness of air fields, General NEWMAN stated A-82 would be in shape by 3 October, having one grass strip with a fighter strip parallel; A-94 would be ready on 4 October. With reference to the Nancy clutch, he stated that A-95 and A-96 would be ready on 4 October, and A-90 and A-98 on 5 and 7 October respectively; Lunaville and Tauntonville will be ready on 10 October. General NEWMAN stated he thought only A-95 capable of accommodating two groups. Colonel LEE asked further about the condition of the fields in the Lyon clutch (A-68, 69, 71, 74) and General NEWMAN replied that his Engineer units were trying to get those fields in shape as soon as possible.

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5. General SAVILE asked if there had been any definite decision as to just how many units would be assigned to each TAC. Colonel LEE stated that at present seven are considered for the IX Tactical Air Comd, five for the XIX Tactical Air Comd., three for the XXIX Tactical Air Comd. and two groups from the Ninth Air Force were to be added to those TAC Comds.

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already under General SAVILLE'S control at present. General WEYLAND remarked that three of his fields were about to become unoperational due to weather and high water. It was decided that the allocation of fields might, if possible, be adjusted to give XIX Tactical Air Comd fields in the Reims area in the event any fields bogged down too much to be operational; A-69, 71, 72 and 74 will be allocated to the 9th Bomb Div (M), leaving a field to be named later for the 363rd Recce Group. General VANDENBERG asked if this general outline was satisfactory to the Commanders concerned, and if so, they could work out more definite arrangements to their individual satisfaction at a later date.

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6. General WOOD, in regard to the plan for stocking of airfields, indicated that medium bomber fields were being stocked for four days' supply and that a two days' supply was available for fighter fields; ammunition stocks were also being supplied accordingly.

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7. In reply to General VANDENBERG'S question, General WOOD stated that out status of incoming supplies would be greatly affected if, due to their breaking up our landing strips, the B-24's discontinued flying in supplies, these supplies at present being a large amount of gasoline. After a general discussion, General VANDENBERG asked General WOOD to submit a report on the subject, so that it might be taken up with General SPAATZ with a view to increasing the amount of C-47's presently assigned to flying in supplies for the Ninth Air Force. General WOOD mentioned that we should also follow through on the trucking aid promised by Communications Zone.

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8. On the subject of moving groups from the beach areas and present contemplated moves, Generals QUESADA and WEYLAND stated that they needed five C-47's per group to take care of their requirements. There was some discussion as to whether or not this could be supplied by the Air Force Service Command, and General VANDENBERG stated that inasmuch as the Army had the priority at the present time on most of the lift available, it might be necessary that we reduce operations for a day or two, however, it was agreed that the required lift would be supplied if possible.

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9. Colonel LEE mentioned that the organization of the XII Tactical Air Comd was being worked up at the present time and would be published as soon as certain details were ironed out with regard to acquisition of units from other commands.

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10. The subject was brought up of 9th Bomb Div (M) working in conjunction with VIII Bomber Command and the Ninth Air Force Tactical Air Commands in regard to a mutual communications channel by which aircraft can be directed to a field suitably equipped with medical aid when forced to crash land. This project is to be worked out later by the operations and communications officers.

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11. Colonel LEE stated that the War Department had sent a message to the effect that the Germans were talking about a new 'secret weapon' which was supposed to stop the motors of allied aircraft. He asked the Commanders to check on this and report any instance of this 'secret weapon' being used against us, in order that this information may be relayed to the War Department.

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12. Colonel SEERACH asked when control of the XII Tactical Air Command would come under the control of the Ninth Air Force. General VANDENBERG stated that we already had operational control of that command and that we would assume administrative control as soon as we were able to handle it.

13. General WEYLAND inquired about rest camps for the combat personnel of this Air Force. Colonel MOISE replied that this matter was under discussion but nothing had been definitely worked out. As far as crews going back to the U. S. is concerned, certain more experienced crews are being sent back on furloughs of 30 days. These crews remain assigned to their parent organization and upon completion of the furlough they return to that organization.

14. A site for a practice bombing range has been located by the 9th Bomb Div (M) at 48° 25' N, 2° 35' E. General ANDERSON requested that this be investigated and made available to his command for continuation of bombing accuracy practice. Colonel SCHOTT is to check on this.

15. General WEYLAND inquired about the rocket ammunition supply. General VANDENBERG stated that he had placed a requisition for both 3 in. and 5 in. rocket ammunition. Colonel RIGGS, Director of Supply, was instructed to trace the status of this type of ammunition and submit a report.

16. Colonel McGUIRE asked General SCHRAMM what he thought of giving some of the night fighter units practice for night intrusion in case such an effort would be necessary. General SCHRAMM felt that this employment might mean a considerable risk to the special radar equipment installed in each aircraft. General VANDENBERG suggested that due to the relatively small amount of night fighter operations being conducted at this time that he felt the units were being wasted and recommended that General SCHRAMM give this suggestion consideration.

17. Colonel MILLARD brought up the subject of our winterization plan for the information of the commanders present. The Overlord Plan authorizes three blankets per man, but if possible an attempt will be made to secure an additional blanket per man for the Air Force, although this remains to be worked out. Requisitions for overcoats are being made up at the present time.

18. General QUESADA asked if there couldn't be some procedure worked out to speed up the awards, and was informed that a little delay had been caused due to Main Headquarters moving to the continent. General VANDENBERG stated that this situation should be up to date in the very near future.

19. The flow of replacement aircraft was discussed. Generals QUESADA and WEYLAND stated that the replacement figure, which was supposed to be maintained at 30% was at the present time closer to 10%. This matter will be looked into by the Air Force Service Command with a view to speeding up the replacement of aircraft in this

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Air Force. General QUESADA also brought up the question of replacement of P-38 aircraft, stating that the Ninth Air Force commands were supposed to be up to strength before any of the P-38 type aircraft were dispatched to the Mediterranean, but that quite a few P-38's were being sent to the Mediterranean nevertheless. General WOOD is to attempt to divert the shipping of P-38's to the Mediterranean until the Ninth Air Force Tactical Air Commands are up to strength. General SAVILLE brought up the question of replacement control for aircraft in his command. General VANDENBERG stated that MAAF would have charge of this until Ninth Air Force took over the administrative control of the XII Tactical Air Comd. AFSC

20. General NUGENT inquired about the availability of radio sets SCR 49 for mounting in tanks. Colonel CODY stated that SCR 499's were not available and he recommended SCR 399's as a substitute to be installed in half-tracks, the half-tracks to be furnished by the Ninth Army. General VANDENBERG instructed Colonel CODY to secure, if possible, radio sets SCR 399 and to furnish them to XXIX Tactical Air Comd for installation in Army half-tracks. Sigs.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374 US ARMY

2 May 1945

Commanders' Meeting, 2 May 1945

Present: Major General ROBERT M. WEBSTER, Commanding
Brig General NED SCHRAMM, D/C for Operations
E. C. LANGMEAD, D/C for Administration
GLENN O. BARCUS, CG, XII TAC
J. G. WILLIAMS, CG, I TACAF SVC COMD
Colonel C. E. CROMBIE, Chief of Staff
Lt. Colonel G. M. A. de CHASSEY, D/CS (Fr)

Airfield Situation

324th Gp moving from Luneville to Stuttgart/Erstterdingen on the 6/7 May. 86th Gp moving from Braunschardt (Y-72) into same place, right after 324th moves, if field is ready. Lechfeld will be used for units now at Haguenau and Diebelstadt. Have not exactly decided where 417th and 415th N/F Sqs will go.

B-26s

Will be necessary to move B-26s into Germany if they stay here in OAF and do not go back to the Med. Gen. Webster desired this matter be kept under consideration. Will not request any particular fields from the Engineers.

French Situation

Frozen for the time being with exception of French Air Depot Group which will be moved to Haguenau when XII TAC clears this afternoon.

French C-47s

General Langmead recommended to Col. de Chassey that he have the FAF request some C-47s from Valannes be moved up in order to assist in carrying supplies as they are not doing any work at present.

S Depot Groups

Gen. Webster is of the opinion it would be better for us to start splitting service groups into special service groups in order that they might become more efficient, etc and groups can be selected as to MCS of personnel for the occupation, return to the States, etc. Further consideration to be given this matter.

French Rescue Group

Gen. Gerardot would like to have this group moved up to Friedrechshafen. General Schremm recommended that move not be made account of supply and present situation.

-47s (French)

Has improved almost 100% with exception of II/33 Gp.

XII TAC Situation

General Barcus stated Army moving to Augsburg this week and XII TAC plans to move up next Saturday. 64th has moved up to Schwabish Hall. MEW will be moved up ten miles east of Augsburg and new one will be placed in vicinity of Schwabish Hall. Pilot situation is not as critical as previously stated - can see way for two months. Supply situation is very good. Field situation if works out as planned will be very good, as will assist in number of sorties, etc.

Service Command Situation

Endeavoring to bring supplies up to this side of the Rhine. Heilbronn will be established as a supply dump. Have mostly gasoline and ammunition there at present as flying same in.

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Strafing & Bombing Procedure

After discussion was decided strafing and bombing to be limited to direct support of the Army at the Army's request.

Re-deployment

General Langmead requested that Commanders make sure that the records the soldiers be checked and posted as to their Military MOS, etc and that soldier agrees with it. 42nd Bomb Wing is pretty well up on their records. However, XII TAW is not too good. Survey team will go out tomorrow and will report back on Sunday as to what has to be done, etc. Misc. organizations being taken care of by this Headquarters. Service Command also working on problem.

Food Situation

General Webster stated that draft of scale for food consumption of units is being worked out as to limited amount.. Also selection as to which units are classified as hard working, etc.

V-E Day Celebration

Celebration to be left up to each Commander - as long as they have control of their people. General Webster stated he would not make any definite plan.

Post-Hostilities

General Webster stated this would be a big problem and that serious thought and planning should be given same. Directed that all Commanders start working on this seriously and draw up directive to cover V-E day plus three at least. General Webster stated desired to see program drawn up by Maj Sabolsky which is going on to units on this subject and redeployment.

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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 2 MAY 1945

Present:

General Williams	Major Moran
Colonel Steele	Major Chapin
Colonel Ocamb	Major Wheadon
Lt Col Burkhardt	Major Dean
Lt Col Matzger	Major Wade
Lt Col Voelz	Major Maroney
Lt Col Sabo	Major Goodman
Lt Col Bode	Captain Hague
Lt Col Townsend	Captain Mayfield
Major Reed	Lt Hutler (AMG)

1. Pre-Stockage of R-50: XII Tactical Air Command has requested that R-50 be operational by 6 May 1945. There are 69,000 gallons of barrel gas and 70,000 gallons of oil at Y-2, which it is anticipated will be transported to R-50 by air.

2. Rotation of Air Lifts: Rotation of air lifts will be made for approximately one day to each of the following air strips, to transport signal cable: from Y-42 to R-65 and to Y-79.

3. C-53 Aircraft: USSTAF has directed IX Troop Carrier Command to release two (2) C-53 aircraft to I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), to be disposed of as Sixth Army may direct.

4. French TAD at Y-40: This Headquarters is assisting the French in organizing and setting up a tactical air depot at Y-40.

5. Long Distance Telephone Calls: Routing of long distance telephone calls will not be done by the individual making the call. Code name and extension number, if possible, will be given the local operator who will make the necessary routing. Use of extension number instead of the name of the party desired will expedite calls.

6. Detachment at R-50: A detachment of one officer and ten (10) enlisted men has been sent to R-50 to receive ammunition and to take over operations.

7. Chemical Protective Equipment: Headquarters, Com Zone has directed that no more chemical protective equipment will be issued to French units. The issue of this equipment to American units will be based on the redeployment status.

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8. Reduction in Issue of Rations: Supplemental rations issue in this Theater has been cancelled, and a reduction of ten per cent (10%) will be effected in all future rations issues.

9. Postal Assistance: Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is sending three (3) enlisted men to this Headquarters for one week, to assist in U.S. Postal operations.

10. The Adjutant General to make arrangements with Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for disposition of prisoners awaiting trial by general court-martial.

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I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

THURSDAY, 3 MAY 1945

Present:

General Williams	Major Reed
Colonel Steele	Major Johnston
Colonel Ocanb	Major Chapin
Lt Col Burkhardt	Major Moran
Lt Col Townsend	Major Theadon
Lt Col Sabo	Major Dean
Lt Col Bode	Captain Ferguson
Captain Coleman	

1. Distribution of Tech Orders: There are six (6) truckloads of tech order on hand for distribution. In the future, American units will requisition directly on BADA, USSTAF, for tech orders. Requisitions for French units will be made by this Headquarters to BADA, USSTAF, which will ship them directly to the French units.

2. P-61 Tires, Casings, and Tubes: P-61 tires, casings, and tubes are critical items at present. Requisitions have been submitted to CADL on operational priority basis, and a priority message requesting action be taken has been sent to CADL.

3. Hydraulic Fluid: There is a critical shortage of hydraulic fluid in this Theater. A request was made to C D. today for an immediate shipment by air.

4. Movement of the 4th PID Platoon at Berisey: The 4th PID platoon at Berisey will be ready to move tomorrow. Orders effecting this movement to Heilbronn are being executed.

5. Bulk Gasoline Storage at Limbergerhoff: The bulk gasoline storage at Limbergerhoff is full (350,000 gallons). Twelve (12) additional tank cars are waiting to be unloaded. Captain Smith of POL is contacting this gasoline supply to insure that fighter groups are using only bulk gasoline.

6. AT-6 Aircraft: One AT-6 aircraft is enroute to Allocations. At present, there is one AT-6 aircraft allocated to 71st Fighter Wing, one to the 358th Fighter Group, and three (3) to XII Tactical Air Command fighter groups. The one now enroute will go to XII Tactical Air Command for reassignment to a group of that Command, in accordance with USSTAF which authorizes one (1) per fighter group.

7. Communications Facilities to Stuttgart: There are no communications facilities to Stuttgart. All cables are badly damaged, and will require much

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time for repair. Hq, First Tactical AF is not in position to build lines. The only communications from fighter groups to R-50 is by radio. Communications to check possibilities of tieup with XII Tactical Air Command to go through to fighter groups.

8. Movement of 324th Fighter Group: The 324th Fighter Group is now in the process of moving from Y-2 to R-50. 130 trucks were requested for this movement. 109 trucks were supplied, which it is anticipated will be sufficient; however, 30 more are available if needed.

9. Signal Cable: 114 tons of signal cable are being moved from Y-42 to R-71 (Dechfield) and 90 tons from Y-42 to Y-79.

10. 1936th QM Truck Company: The 1936th QM Truck Company which is assigned to the 19th Air Depot Group will remain at Y-42.

11. Aircraft Pool at Y-42: The aircraft pool is being left at Y-42 under the supervision of the 19th Air Depot Group.

12. Sanitary Survey: Surgeon to make an immediate survey of this station and surrounding area to insure proper cleaning of unsanitary situations.

13. Chemical Installations at Barisov: The chemical installations at Barisov have indicated that they do not intend to move to Linbergerhoff since hostilities in Europe are approaching the end. Chemical to TTX these installations to execute movement as planned.

14. Excess Cots and Tentage: Difficulty has been encountered in obtaining approval of excess cots and tentage by JSCB and Hq, Con Zone. QM to make survey of excess items and also to make survey in the field to determine an accurate status of such items before again attempting to obtain approval.

15. Redistribution Point: Instructions have been received from Hq, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) to establish a redistribution point for air force units and XII Tactical Air Command units in a more central location. One at Y-42 is in operation. Action is being taken.

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I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

FRIDAY, 4 MAY 1945

Present:

General Williams
Colonel Steele
Colonel Ocanb
Lt Col Burkhardt
Lt Col Townsend
Lt Col Bode
Lt Col Sabo
Lt Col Matzger
Major Reed

Major Chapin
Major Dean
Major Maroney
Major Willis
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1. Supply of French Units: This Headquarters will continue to supply French units, except the 401st Mobile Hospital.
2. Replacement Control Point: A Replacement Control Point will be located at Y-79, and one platoon from the QM service group at Y-42 is moving today to Y-79 for operations at this RCP.
3. Infantry Quota: The quota from the Infantry to this Command for this period will be 150, plus 96 additional ones. All future quotas have been cancelled, and the only replacements will be those shipped directly from the United States.
4. Rest Camp at Annecy: This Headquarters is contemplating taking over operations of both officers' and enlisted men's rest camp at Annecy. Contact is being made with Hq, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) to bring this into effect.
5. Allocation of Aircraft: Two (2) C-53 aircraft have been obtained for Hq, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for the 6th Army Group. The aircraft will be picked up at B-44. Three (3) L-4 aircraft have been allocated to Annecy Rest Camp. One has been picked up, and the other two will be delivered directly to the camp.
6. Shuttle Train to Y-72 and Y-78: Conard has been contacted in regard to the advisability of running a shuttle train approximately every third day to Y-72 and Y-78. If this project is approved, it will greatly relieve refueling operations. Action is expected today.
7. ACG, 19th ADG: The ACG situation at the 19th Air Depot Group shows a decrease from 37 to 17. The critical shortage of hydraulic fluid has been

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alleviated. Wings and propellers are now being received in the depots.

8. Transportation of Gasoline: Gasoline will be transported to Y-72 and Y-79 by train. Ten (10) C-46 aircraft are transporting gasoline to Y-90 today. Twenty (20) trucks with 1000 gallons each are enroute to Y-90 to care for any emergency.

9. Signal Cable: Twenty-seven (27) plane loads of signal cable were flown to R-71 3 May 1945.

10. Transportation at Limbergerhoff: The truck situation at Limbergerhoff is excellent. All Ordnance, Chemical, and Air Corps supply lifts have been arranged.

11. Railroad from Heilbronn: The railroad from Heilbronn to Ludwigsburg will be operational 6 May 1945, and to Stuttgart and Ulm on or about 12 May 1945.

12. Communications Facilities at Stuttgart: Communications facilities at Stuttgart are in very bad condition. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and XII Tactical Air Command are building communications lines into that area, and the possibility of this Command, which has only radio service to Stuttgart, making connection with those lines is being discussed with Hq, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

13. Station Fire Marshal: Captain McGovern has been appointed Station Fire Marshal. A detachment with fire pumps and equipment will begin operations here 5 May 1945.

14. Laundry and Dry Cleaning: A check is being made today for use of laundry and dry cleaning facilities in Heidelberg. QM to check possibility of such facilities in Schwetzingen.

15. Supply of 1st French Bomb Group: Arrangements have been made for Seventh Army to furnish QM supplies from Heidelberg to the 1st French Bomb Group.

16. Water Supply on this Station: The water supply on this station has been declared unfit for drinking purposes. Surgeon to check possibility of procuring chlorinating equipment.

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I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

SATURDAY, 5 MAY 1945

Present:

General Williams	Major Goodman
Colonel Steele	Major Johnston
Colonel Ocanb	Major Chapin
Lt Col Burkhardt	Major Stinson
Lt Col Townsend	Major Willis
Lt Col Imhof	Major Reed
Lt Col Bode	Captain Yancy
Major Theadon	Captain C. Coleman
Major Dean	Captain I. Coleman
Major Moran	Captain Stackhouse
Major Steinbach	Captain Mayfield

1. 415th Night Fighter Squadron: Difficulty is being encountered in maintenance of radio and radar on P-61 aircraft, and particularly on Beaufighters in the 415th Night Fighter Squadron. There is also a tire shortage for these planes. Of the eight (8) Beaufighters in this unit, only three (3) are operational. Action is being taken to obtain training films for the purpose of further instructing pilots, line chiefs, and mechanics in the maintenance of P-61 aircraft.

2. Operation Dates of R-50 and R-71: In compliance with a request from Headquarters, XII Tactical Air Command, the following information on operational dates of R-50 and R-71 was submitted: the first group on R-50, 7 May 1945, and the second group, 10 May 1945. The first group on R-71, 18 May 1945, with the second group following within three (3) to five (5) days; however, it should be noted that definite operational dates of R-71 will depend entirely upon additional rail tonnage being allocated this Command.

3. Movement of Team "A", 83rd Service Group: Fifty (50) trucks have been allocated for the movement of Team "A", 83rd Service Group from Y-2 to R-50.

4. Chemical Supplies: No further shipments of incendiary bombs to this Command are expected. Those enroute have been stopped at the port. It is probable that a limited supply of napalm will be received.

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5. Meeting at USSTAF: Captain Coleman, Ammunitions Officer, this Headquarters, recently returned from USSTAF where he attended a meeting concerning Ordnance operations in this Theater after V-E Day. A report on this meeting will be submitted to the Commanding General.

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I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
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MINUTES OF STAFF MEETING

MONDAY, 7 May 1945

Present:

General Williams
Colonel Steele
Colonel O'comb
Lt Col Burkhardt
Lt Col Townsend
Lt Col Bode
Major Theadon
Major Dean
Major Long

Major Chapin
Major Goodman
Major Moran
Major Maroney
Major Stinson
Captain C. Coleman
Captain Chyba
Captain Hague
Captain Mayfield

Captain Salerno

1. Request for C-47 Aircraft: The request for thirteen (13) C-47 aircraft from IX Troop Carrier Command has been disapproved, due to the fact that this Command is at present over authorized strength and that future operations will not warrant additional aircraft.

2. Gasoline at Y-8 and Y-9: The 310th Service Group advises that no further shipment of gasoline to Y-8 and Y-9 is necessary.

3. Jettisonable Fuel Tanks: All requests for jettisonable fuel tanks to this Air Force have been cancelled. There is a limited supply on hand.

4. Modification Equipment: Requests for modification equipment, bomb shackles, etc., continue to be received. Requests will be cancelled as soon as instructions are received to discontinue modification work in this Air Force.

5. Gasoline Stock at R-50: As of 1800 hours, 5 May 1945, 122,000 gallons of gasoline were stocked at R-50. It is anticipated that the locations of future stocks of gasoline will be in accordance with the re-location of units as directed by Ninth Air Force.

6. Plane Lifts at Y-89: Air lifts for planes at Y-89 will be posted as far in advance as possible in the Staff Conference Room. All staff heads are requested to keep informed of these air lifts, in order to utilize planes to the greatest extent.

7. Infantry Drill, this Hq: Beginning tomorrow morning, 8 May 1945, all units of this Headquarters will conduct Infantry drill at 0740 hours. Platoon

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commanders will be company grade officers, and Majors and Lt Colonels will be company commanders.

8. Ammunition at Y-72: Ordnance to check on the advisability of turning over ammunition stock at Y-72 to Ninth Air Force.

9. Movement of 50th Fighter Group: Movement of the 50th Fighter Group from Y-90 to R-71 will be delayed.

10. Report on Staff Section Functions: All staff heads, this Headquarters, will submit a report to the Chief of Staff showing the functions of their respective sections, and the procedure which would be followed in the event operations of this Headquarters were turned over to another Headquarters.

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SUBJECT: Flak Countermeasures.

TO : Commanding General, 42nd Bombardment Wing (W), APO 374, U S Army.

The following excerpt from the Weekly Activity Report, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, is forwarded for your information.

"The 9th AF program for flak countermeasures has been approved. The program involves cancellation of the present Carpet program; installation of automatic window dispensers in all A-26's, most A-20's, and selected groups of B-26's; and long range development of automatic spot jammers.

The changed program results from an exhaustive ORS study of the practicability of Carpet for medium bombers. It was determined that Carpet-equipped medium bomber formations had little advantage over formations not so equipped because of the smaller formations flown and the inadequacy of cover of the Wurzburg band. Action has been taken to expedite the Window program, and a firm requirement has been placed for the automatic dispensers. Carpet equipment originally intended for medium bombers has been diverted to 8th AF, and action has been initiated to spur development of automatic spot jamming equipment in the United States." (ORS is Operational Research Section).

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps.
Asst Adj General.

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Following is Counter Intelligence Summary number 13.
For week ending 12 January 1945.

Efforts are being made by German Intelligence service to improve training and standard of Agents and to support them with necessary local colour, documents, currency etcetera. From testimony of 4 recently captured short term Agents it appears names of likely Nazi sympathizers will be given future line crossers as means of getting information and supplies. Evidence that large numbers of Hitler Jugend Organisation, including Alsations and English speakers, are being rapidly trained as Line Crossers. Consider these types may become serious problem. Current objectives include locations of Allied Headquarters of all kinds, and information on ports, particularly ANTWERP, and convoys for purpose of attack.

Events of last 3 weeks show Saboteurs parachuted normally in central regions of FRANCE principally in Departments of HAUTE Vienne and CORREZE.

Possible that Germans are exploring feasibility of supplying and using isolated pocket of overrun troops believed to be in hiding in SAVOY and LYONS Areas.

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1. 1 Line Crosser captured HOLLAND admits having operated WT before arrest.
2. Further Arab Agent arrested PARIS with WT set.
3. After having successfully passed information American installations and equipment to GERMANY, 2 Agents with WT arrested LUXEMBOURG. Brother of 1 had explosives with mission to blow ETTLEBRUCK Viaduct.
4. 3 more cases show Germans sending Courier Agents into FRANCE from SWITZERLAND to contact and pay Stay Behind Agents and establish fresh cover addresses.
5. Indication Germans using Blackmarketeering in ANDORRA as basis for getting Foreign currency and information.

SABOTAGE

1. Further to Sabotage Section B of Summary number 10, saboteurs left from airfield at FINOW, 30 kilometres Northwest of BERLIN and possessed blank sheets of paper bearing stamp of Mayor of MARSEILLES. Stamp bore incorrect inscription "Forces Francaises de l Interieures". They state Norwegians, Austrians and Czechs also under training. On completion of mission saboteurs were to regain German Lines either on East or on Atlantic.
2. Indications of preparation for seaborne Sabotage operations out of the German held Atlantic pockets.
3. Night of 3/7 January. 3 Parachutists, with WT, landed near TOLLE; 1 captured. 3 Parachutists landed at FONDROUSE; 1 captured.
4. Identification has been made of a Sonderkommando Hein, a special Unit of the Waffen SS, with Headquarters and instruction centre at ROERLM, for Sabotage and disruptive purposes. Recruiting active since 1943 among MILICIEUX and LVP, French speakers and Spaniards, the latter to pose as Antifascist and promote Anticomunist feeling in South FRANCE. Sonderkommando has Posts at LORIENT and in the German held Atlantic Ports.

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FRANCE. Up to 31 December 1944, apuration figures were: 2,200 arrests; 300 death sentences; 180 life imprisonments; 340 prison sentences. An additional 18,000 cases under investigation and as many as 50,000 future cases are foreseen.

BELGIUM. Up to 22 December 1944 convictions by the Conseil de Guerre included 495 death sentences, 167 life imprisonments and 1027 terms of imprisonments.

HOLLAND. Slight improvement in food conditions but fuel situation deteriorating. Progress is being made with the incorporation into the Dutch Forces of personnel from the resistance groups, Allied officers assisting where possible in training and organization.

GERMANY. Document captured STRASBOURG shows HITLER has ordered party leaders, in cases of surprise occupation, to leave with the civilian population and to wear Army uniforms in order to obtain "the necessary protection of International Law". Uniforms and equipment for this purpose are being supplied to GAV and WRENSLEITER who are responsible for further distribution.

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RALPH E. FINDER, COL., GSC.

8 DECEMBER 1944--1215A
CG, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND,
CG, 1ST FRENCH AIR CORPS,
CG, WESTERN AIR FORCE.

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XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
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SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
Commanding General, Corps Aerien Francais

1. Attached lists contain information that we have on file at present on Inner Artillery Zones and Gun Defended Areas, Restricted Areas for Flying, and Flight Corridors now existing in France. Any additional information received in the future will be passed on to you by signal.

2. Any information concerning flying regulations in the United Kingdom which is set forth in "Neugrip", a Shaef and Air Ministry publication, will have to be referred to us for the present as we do not have additional copies of this publication to pass on to you.

For the Commanding General.

C. M. KERANEN,
Capt., Air Corps,
Act'g. Ass't. Adj. Gen.

Incl: List of Restricted Areas.

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Present:

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General Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander.
Lieut. General Spaatz, C.G., U.S.St.A.F.
Air Chief Marshal Harris, A.O.C.-in-C., Bomber Command.
Lieut. General Doolittle, C.G. 8th Air Force.
Air Marshal Coningham, A.O.C.-in-C., 2nd T.A.F.
Air Marshal Bottomley, D.C.A.S., Air Ministry.
Air Marshal Robb, D.C.O.S. (Air) S.H.A.E.F.
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Maj. General Vandenberg, C.G. 9th Air Force.
Maj. General Anderson, Deputy C.G. for OPS. U.S.St.A.F.
Maj. General Royce, C.G. 1st (Prov.) T.A.F.
Maj. General Quesada, C.G. IXth (T.A.C.)
Air Vice Marshal Broadhurst, A.O.C. 83 Group
Air Vice Marshal Embrey, A.O.C. 2 Group.
Air Vice Marshal Huddleston, A.O.C. 84 Group.
Air Vice Marshal Oxland, S.A.S.O. Bomber Command Adv. Det.
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Brig. General Wayland, C.G. 19th T.A.C.
Brig. General Saville, C.G. 12th T.A.C.
Brig. General Thatcher, D.A.C.O.S., A-3, S.H.A.E.F.
Air Commodore Hart, C.A.S.O., S.H.A.E.F.
Colonel Lash, G-3, S.H.A.E.F.
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NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT S.H.A.E.F. ON TUESDAY,
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EMPLOYMENT OF STRATEGIC AIR FORCES.

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subsequent regrouping to resume the main offensive would take a considerable time and he understood that ammunition would only last at the present rates of expenditure until the end of December. He had suggested as an alternative that the main offensive might be shifted elsewhere.

9. General Eisenhower said that the ammunition situation was not so bad as General Vandenberg had suggested. He was quite clear that the COLOGNE sector was the most-vital to the Germans and was the best area for the main offensive if once the dams could be neutralised. They could not, however, go ahead without the neutralisation of the dams and he doubted whether strategic bombers could be of much assistance to the ground forces in the SCHMIDT country.

10. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that in the normal operations of strategic bombers it was possible to choose targets according to weather conditions and the possibilities of giving close support in the COLOGNE sector really depended on the existence of targets in the area which could be attacked in bad weather. He doubted whether area-bombing was any use in dealing with an enemy that was so expert in dispersal and passive air defence.

11. General Doolittle said that 8th Air Force could ^{do area} bomb blind, but needed visual conditions for pin-point targets. He then described the safety precautions with which he believed heavy bombers could bomb within one mile of their own troops with reasonable safety. For this sort of operation they used flak bursts as markers in the overcast and also employed "buncher" beacons and a S.C.S. 51 giving a vertical beam. They were also training three strategic support parties who would be turned over to the Tactical Air Forces in order to keep 8th Air Force in intimate contact with the Army through the Tactical Air Force in the area. They would also have an air controller in the air during the operation.

12. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that these methods ensured the safety of our own troops, but it still had to be asked what the bombers were going to hit. This sort of bombing could not be guaranteed to cover an area. General Doolittle thought that an area could be covered sufficiently to make it very unpleasant for the troops in it. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that this really amounted to a technique for laying a carpet in front of advancing troops, but the proposal was that the heavy bombers should carry out continuous bombing for a long period close to the battle front. He doubted whether there were sufficient targets for this sort of operation. General Vandenberg said that there were towns and villages between the ROER and the RHINE where the German reserves were held and these would be worth attacking once the dams had been captured, and the advance across the ROER begun. Attacks on these would achieve better results than bombing the road and rail crossings of the RHINE which had also been proposed. Air Marshal Coningham said that it was comparatively easy to attack towns where there were towns, but bombing in open country would merely produce holes full of mud and water. It was easy enough to hit the ground, but it was not clear that hitting the ground would help the Army forward.

13. General Quesada doubted whether carpet-bombing would help the assault on the dams. The country there was very hilly and 99 per cent. of bombs would hit nothing. The capture of the dams was a job for a ground force aided by tactical air forces. At the same time the heavy bombers could be used to attack concentrations of armour east of the ROER and break up any counter-attack on our troops assaulting the dams. Air Chief Marshal Tedder insisted that the air forces must not promise the Army something that they could not perform.

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Heavy bombers could not ^{stop the} ~~stop~~ the movement of ^{reserves.} ~~reserves.~~ General Quesada said that there were villages about ~~every~~ ^{every} thousand yards in the country east of the ROER and it was known that the German reserve divisions were occupying these villages. Their destruction would at any rate cause great dislocation and loss of equipment to the armoured reserves.

14. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that there was nothing to be gained by this sort of bombing except when our own troops were actually attacking and everything said at the meeting so far was really applicable only to an operation of the "Queen" type, possibly on an extended scale. General Vandenberg agreed and thought that continuous bombing would have a progressively weaker effect on German morale.

15. General Thatcher then produced a map showing the proposed targets in the area east of the ROER which he described as a series of bridges and small villages which would be very hard to hit. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that up to date air attack had always been laid on immediately before the ground attack and he suggested that as a development they might lay on bombing for two days before. General Quesada said that in previous operations the initial crust of enemy defences had not been bombed owing to the necessity of leaving a safety margin and that the time expended by our troops in getting through the crust had prevented the exploiting of the bombed area. He suggested in future operations that our troops should be withdrawn one to two miles and he was certain that the Army would accept 12 hours' notice for such a withdrawal.

16. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that it was not the business of the present conference to discuss details of an operation of the "Queen" type but only to decide whether to recommend such an operation or continuous close support bombing of the type suggested by the Combined Strategic Targets Committee. He suggested that the bombing of 30 to 40 villages in the rear of the German lines might serve for the first round of a glorified operation "Queen". Air Chief Marshal Harris suggested that the proposed plan was not a glorification but a simplification. The bombing of a small area with a quick follow up had been proved effective, but bombing a lot of scattered villages was useless and would in any case take two or three days of very good weather which they would not get. Experience had shown that if heavy bombers put down a concentration of bombs with instantaneous fuses on a narrow front the Army could get through and bombs could be dropped closer to our front line with only limited risk of casualties. It was vital however that the Army should get moving quickly. The secret of this type of operation was to bomb as close as you could and get moving as quickly as you could. The "Queen" type of operation had always worked and he could not think of any occasion on which the Army had got forward without assistance of this kind.

17. General Spaatz said that if all that was contemplated was an operation of the "Queen" type, possibly on an extended scale, there would be no material interruption in other air tasks and no revision of the directive was necessary.

18. CONCLUSION

Air Chief Marshal Tedder then summed up the results of the meeting as follows:-

- (i) The directive for the Strategic Air Forces should remain unaltered. Oil targets and communications targets should remain as first and second priority.
- (ii) In addition tactical support by heavy bombers would be given for specific attacks. The "Queen" type of operation should be developed and T.A.F. Commanders should discuss development with their Army Group and

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CONCLUSION (cont'd.)

- (iii) In particular the use of night bombing during the nights preceding the attack should be explored, as well as the use of heavy bombers to attack villages and towns in rear of the enemy lines during the 2 - 3 days preceding the attack (see para. 27).

The following points of view were also expressed:-

19. A.O.C. 83 Group

Air Vice Marshal Broadhurst asked whether in view of the decision reached at the meeting he was entitled to be less discouraging in his attitude towards requests by 2nd British Army for heavy support. General Dempsey was now planning a small attack east of the MAAS and would certainly ask for support from the heavies. Casualties in the British Army had been heavy except when such support had been given and there was naturally a desire to get all the air support they could. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that if the request was backed by the T.A.F. Commander, heavy support would certainly be considered.

20. Assault on the ROER Dams

Air Marshal Robb said that no clear decision had been reached on the question whether strategic support would be given to a ground assault on the ROER dams. Air Chief Marshal Tedder said that it was the opinion of the men on the spot that the country was unsuitable for such support but that it remained with the Army and the C.G. 9th Air Force to examine the possibilities together.

21. A.O.C. 84 Group.

Air Vice Marshal Huddleston said that he had not much experience of the Western front, but experience of the campaign in ITALY had shown that small villages were the best targets for heavy bombers but needed a lot of bombs. He thought it was waste of time throwing down heavy bombs or even frags in front of the Army.

22. C.G., 19th T.A.C.

General Wayland said that on the 3rd Army front 19th T.A.C. would like assistance from the heavy bombers to help the Army across the SAAR. A bombing effort on targets east of SALPERBRUCKEN would cause confusion and dislocate communications, and heavies would also be useful in knocking out the defences of the Siegfried line.

23. C.G. 1st (Prov.) T.A.F.

General Royce said that 6th Army Group were at present content with close support from the T.A.F., but General Devers would want the heavies when he reached the Siegfried line. He would also like attacks on communications targets to be brought closer in to the battle front.

In the BORDEAUX area General de Larminat was short of artillery and wanted heavy bombers for operation "Independence". This would enable him to complete the operation more quickly and so lessen the time during which French troops were diverted from the main front.

C.G. 12th T.A.C./

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24. C.G., 12th T.A.C.

General Saville said that operations of the "Queen" type did not apply to the 7th Army front. Here, there was a war of movement and what was required was attack on towns and villages behind the lines where enemy reserves were concentrated. Bombing of key towns would:-

- (i) break up communications by road and rail; and
- (ii) create craters in the roads, which in this hilly country were the only means of movement.

These targets could be seen on H.2X except certain targets in the Siegfried line where blanketing or morale bombing would be required.

25. He suggested that in the AACHEN sector there was a stalemate and that a limited offensive on the SAAR would have the effect of diverting German reserves from the AACHEN sector. What was needed was a properly conceived air/ground plan for the SAAR sector involving employment of strategic bombers. It was their business to cause the Hun to deploy himself in the way they wanted to deploy him, and not to attack where his main strength was concentrated.

26. Colonel Bennett said that during the past week the main German reinforcements had in fact been sent to the SAAR district.

27. Air Chief Marshal Tedder doubted whether there was much armour and equipment concentrated in the towns and villages behind the SAAR front. Air Marshal Coningham said that the front line drew its strength from the district behind it and all towns were used as reserve and refitting centres. Air Vice Marshal Broadhurst agreed that at night villages behind the lines were generally full of troops. Air Chief Marshal Tedder suggested that Mosquitoes should be used to strafe villages for two to three nights before the launching of an attack. General Doolittle agreed with General Saville that attack on a large number of villages behind the lines would have a considerable effect - particularly in destroying the morale of the civilians. Such attacks, however, would have to be visual, but given visual conditions 8th Air Force could take on 30 towns a day.

28. The Break-through at St. Lo.

General Schlatter gave his opinion that the American victory at St. Lo in July was not so much due to the carpet bombing as to the denial of supplies to the Germans by the earlier strategic offensive. General Eisenhower agreed, but said that it was impossible to convince the Army that the battle of St. Lo had not been won as a result of the direct support given by the 8th Air Force.

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TO FOR ACTION : SHAFF MAIN AIR DEF DIV, ETOUSA

FROM : 6TH ARMY GROUP

REF NO : BX-10129

SIGNED : DEVERS

Orders have been issued relieving the following units
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These units have been assigned to Seventh Army and attached temporarily to First TACAF (Prov) for operations only. Operational requirements of Seventh Army in forthcoming offensive will necessitate the termination of this attachment in the imminent future. It is necessary that AAA for defense of First TACAF airfields be secured from other sources.

For ETOUSA: Our 6th Ind, dated 31 Jan 45, to letter AG 322 OPGD, subject: "Attachment of Ground Force Units to Air Forces", is called to your notice.

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AUTH: R.E. JENKINS
Brig. Gen.

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REF NO THIS MESSAGE: EX 16234, 04 Mar 45

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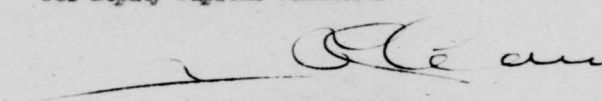
3 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Directive Establishing the Supreme Headquarters, AEF,
Mission to NORWAY.

TO: See Distribution below.

1. Attached herewith is a copy of a Directive Establishing the Supreme Headquarters, AEF, Mission to NORWAY, for your information and retention.
2. Your attention is invited to SHAEF letter AG 091.112-2AIR-AGN, dated 27 December, 1944, enclosing a Memorandum on the functions and agreed compositions of the Air Components of the various SHAEF Missions, including NORWAY.

For Deputy Supreme Commander:


T.P. GLEAVE,
Group Captain,
Head of Air Plans Section.

DISTRIBUTION:

Deputy Chief of Staff, (Air) Rear.
Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Second TAF.
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force.
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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Office of the Chief of Staff

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31 January, 1945

SUBJECT : Directive Establishing the Supreme Headquarters, AEF,
Mission to NORWAY

TO : Lieutenant General Sir A.E. Andrew N. Thorne, MBE, CMG, DSO,
Head of the Supreme Headquarters, AEF, Mission to NORWAY.

1. You are appointed Head of the Supreme Commander's Mission to the Norwegian Government in addition to your duties as General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Scottish Command, and Joint Force Commander.
2. Colonel Charles H. Wilson, executive for US Task Force for 'NIGHTLIGHT', is appointed acting Deputy Head of your Mission. He will function in a dual role.
3. You will set up your Mission at EDINBURGH as soon as US representation reports to you. Your Mission will be accredited to His Majesty, the King of NORWAY.
4. You will be the Supreme Commander's representative in dealing with the Norwegian Government, and your object will always be to obtain agreements which conform to the Supreme Commander's policies.
5. You will be the authorising and screening agency when Commands not under the Joint Force Command wish to make contact with the Norwegian Government.
6. You will rely on the Political Officers of Supreme Headquarters for your political advice.
7. Your Mission will remain in being until such time as the Supreme Headquarters is dissolved or for so long as the Supreme Commander considers representation with the Norwegian Government necessary.
8. While Headquarters Force 134 remains in being, your Mission will comprise designated British and US members of Force 134 acting in a dual capacity. When the time comes for Headquarters Force 134 to be dissolved or withdrawn from NORWAY, you will remain in NORWAY keeping with you an integrated Mission. It will be at this juncture that you will submit a combined NE/TO.
9. When the necessity arises for naval and air representation on your Mission, you will approach the Naval and Air Force Commanders to allow officers to act in a dual capacity as in paragraph 2 above.
10. You are requested to render a fortnightly review of the activities of your Mission on the 1st and 15th of each month.

By direction of the Supreme Commander:

Sgd: P.E. MORGAN, Lt Gen D/COS

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For: W.B. SMITH,
Lieutenant General, US Army,
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CG, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND (REAR) (PLEASE RELAY TO ALL UNITS YOUR COMMAND)
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312 TH SERVICE GROUP
213TH AAA GROUP

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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES FROM WASHINGTON, D.C., ARE QUOTED FOR YOUR
INFORMATION:

QUOTE ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL NATION, WE I SEND TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF
OUR ARMED FORCES EVERYWHERE WARM AND CONFIDENT GOOD WISHES THIS FOURTH CHRISTMAS OF
WAR. PD ON CHRISTMAS DAY MORE THAN ANY OTHER DAY CMA WE WILL REMEMBER YOU WITH PRIDE
AND WITH HUMILITY CMA WITH ANGUISH AND WITH JOY PD WE SHALL KEEP ON REMEMBERING YOU
ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES PD IT IS CMA THEREFORE CMA WITH SOLEMN PRIDE THAT I SALUTE
THOSE WHO STAND IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE STRUGGLE TO BRING BACK TO A SUFFERING WORLD
THE WAY OF LIFE SYMBOLIZED BY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS DASH FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT CMA
COMMANDER DASH IN DASH CHIEF PD

FROM SECRETARY OF WAR SEMI CIN MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMED FORCES CIN AT
THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON THE THOUGHTS OF THE ENTIRE NATION ARE WITH THE TROOPS PD THE
CANDLES WHICH BURN IN THE WINDOWS ARE BEAMED STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART OF AMERICA TO
THE MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM PD WHEREVER YOU ARE STATIONED CMA IT IS YOUR CHRISTMAS
THAT WE HOPE TO SHARE PD I HAVE A VERY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR SERVICE AND YOUR
SACRIFICES PD I HAVE BEEN WITH YOU ON DISTANT FRONTS WHERE YOUR COURAGE HAS OVERCOME
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(Please relay to all Units your command)
86th Air Depot Gp
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213th AAA Group

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FROM THE OPPRESSION AND MISERY ENGENDERED BY A SAVAGE FOE. THIS YEAR, BECAUSE OF YOU, THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS HAS BEEN RESTORED TO THEM. FROM MILLIONS OF HOMES THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FLOWS OUT TO THE POSTS AND BASES AND BATTLE LINES WHERE AMERICANS SERVE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. FROM THOUSANDS OF ALTARS THE NATION OFFERS UP ITS PRAYERS FOR YOU IN THE MIDST OF WAR. IN SENDING YOU MY WARMEST GREETINGS I EXPRESS THE ADMIRATION OF A GRATEFUL NATION FOR YOUR COURAGE AND FORTITUDE. THROUGH YOU THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS WILL RETURN ONCE MORE TO A WORLD AT PEACE. SIGNED SIMPSON

FOLLOWING FROM CHIEF OF STAFF, CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO TROOPS-1944, SINCE MY CHRISTMAS MESSAGE A YEAR AGO A GREAT CHANGE HAS COME OVER THE ARMY. IN EUROPE OUR TROOPS HOLD A THOUSAND MILE FRONT. AMERICAN BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS ARE COVERING ALL OF GERMANY. IN THE PACIFIC MORE AND MORE TROOPS AND PLANES ARE BEING DEPLOYED AGAINST THE ENEMY, AND WITH THE TREMENDOUS BLOWS OF THE NAVY, THE LIBERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES IS NOW WELL WITHIN OUR REACH. IN BURMA AND CHINA, AMERICAN PLANES ARE PUNISHING THE JAPS WITH THE VIGOROUS SUPPORT OF OUR GROUND FORCES. THE NATION IS THANKFUL FOR THE VICTORIES OF RECENT MONTHS, THE SACRIFICES OF THE MEN IN THE FIELD. THE PEOPLE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE ARMY AND THEY HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE IN ITS ABILITY TO CRUSH THE ENEMY'S FINAL RESISTANCE. THIS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE GOES TO EVERY MAN AND WOMAN IN THE SERVICE WITH MY PERSONAL THANKS FOR WHAT EACH OF YOU IS DOING FOR THE HONOR AND SECURITY OF AMERICA AND FOR THE LIBERATION OF OPPRESSED PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. I AM AWARE OF THE HARDSHIPS AND THE HAZARDS THAT ARE YOUR DAILY PORTION AND I AM CONSCIOUS OF THE PRICE YOU PAY FOR EVERY VICTORY. MAY THE LORD WATCH OVER YOU AND MAY YOU FIND WHEREVER YOU ARE SOME CHEER IN THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON. SIGNED MARSHALL.

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HEADQUARTERS
XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
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Operation Reports

29 October 1944

SUBJECT: Strafing Claims.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force.

1. Enclosed are copies of a report submitted by the 324th Fighter Group regarding locomotive claims, and with it, copies of the directive sent out to all units of this Command as a result of this report.

2. It is felt that the many locomotives claimed as destroyed which are later repaired and put back into service has given all concerned a false picture of the enemy railroad status. It is therefore requested that this correspondence be forwarded to SHAEF with the recommendation that their Headquarters take action to insure uniform and realistic claims by all air commands within the theatre.

For the Commanding General:

DORR E. NEWTON JR.
Colonel, G. S. C.,
AC of S A-3.

2 Incls:

- Incl 1 - 324th Gp. Ltr, Locomotive Claims (Quad.)
- Incl 2 - XII TAC Ltr, Damaged and Destroyed Locomotives (Quad.)

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THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF THE DAY ISSUED BY THE SUPREME COMMANDER IS TO BE DELIVERED TO EVERY MEMBER OF ALL HEADQUARTERS AND UNITS UNDER YOUR COMMAND: (FROM SHAEF MAIN SIGNED EISENHOWER)

QUOTE TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE A.E.F. THE ENEMY IS MAKING HIS SUPREME EFFORT TO BREAK OUT OF THE DESPERATE PLIGHT INTO WHICH YOU FORCED HIM BY YOUR BRILLIANT VICTORIES OF THE SUMMER AND FALL. HE IS FIGHTING SAVAGELY TO TAKE BACK ALL THAT YOU HAVE WON AND IS USING EVERY TREACHEROUS TRICK TO DECEIVE AND KILL YOU. HE IS GAMBLING EVERYTHING, BUT ALREADY, IN THIS BATTLE, YOUR GALLANTRY HAS DONE MUCH TO FOIL HIS PLANS. IN THE FACE OF YOUR PROVEN BRAVERY AND FORTITUDE, HE WILL COMPLETELY FAIL.

BUT WE CAN NOT BE CONTENT WITH HIS MERE REPULSE.

BY RUSHING OUT FROM HIS FIXED DEFENSES THE ENEMY MAY GIVE US THE CHANCE TO TURN HIS GREAT GAMBLE INTO HIS WORST DEFEAT. SO I CALL UPON EVERY MAN, OF ALL THE ALLIES, TO RISE NOW TO NEW HEIGHTS OF COURAGE, OF RESOLUTION AND OF EFFORT. LET EVERYONE HOLD BEFORE HIM A SINGLE THOUGHT--TO DESTROY THE ENEMY ON THE GROUND IN THE AIR, EVERYWHERE-- DESTROY HIM. UNITED IN THIS DETERMINATION WITH UNSHAKABLE FAITH IN THE CAUSE FOR WHICH WE FIGHT. WE WILL, WITH GOD'S HELP, GO FORWARD TO OUR GREATEST VICTORY.

/s/ DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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TO: 1ST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

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THE FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM NINTH AIR FORCE QUOTE THIRD ARMY PLANS

CALL FOR OPENING THEIR OFFENSIVE AT NOON OF THE FIFTH NOVEMBER IF

HEAVY AND MEDIUM BOMBERS CAN OPERATE THE MORNING OF THE FIFTH NOVEMBER

STOP IF THE BOMBER ATTACK IS DELAYED ON THAT DATE CMA SUCH THAT THE

COMPLETION OF THE INITIAL BOMBER EFFORT IS AFTER ONE TWO ZERO ZERO

HOURS CMA THEN THE GROUND ATTACK WILL NOT BEGIN UNTIL THE FOLLOWING

MORNING STOP GENERAL PATTON WILL CONTINUE TO WAIT FOR AN AIR ATTACK

ON THE ABOVE BASIS UNTIL THE MORNING OF EIGHT NOVEMBER CMA AT WHICH

TIME HE PLANS TO LAUNCH HIS ATTACK WITH OR WITHOUT AIR SUPPORT STOP

THE EFFORT OF FOUR FIGHTER GROUPS ARE BEING DIVERTED FROM NORTH TO

SUPPORT INITIAL PHASE OF PATTONS ATTACK STOP AIR PLAN FOR SUPPORT

OF THIRD ARMY OFFENSIVE URGENTLY REQUIRES ADDITIONAL FIGHTER BOMBER

SUPPORT FROM INITIAL STAGES OF ATTACK CMA UNTIL ONE WEEK AFTER DOG

DAY INCLUSIVE STOP REQUEST THAT THE ONE NINE TACTICAL AIR COMMAND BE

PERMITTED TO RETAIN OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE THREE FIVE EIGHT FIGHTER

BOMBER GROUP DURING THIS PERIOD STOP FURTHER REQUEST THAT OPERATIONAL

CONTROL OF AN ADDITIONAL PETER FOUR SEVEN FIGHTER BOMBER GROUP FROM

FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL) BE GIVEN TO THE ONE NINE

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THAT PROPER PLANNING OF THE COORDINATED AIR GROUND ATTACK MAY BE
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General
APO 633

3 February 1945

TO: Army Ground Forces Personnel entering
the Army Air Forces in ETO

You are now a member of the Army Air Forces; the Air arm of the Army you so gallantly represented at the Front. We've been working with you, and for you, in this Theater since early in 1942.

You are now an important factor in the largest and most powerful Air striking force in the world. Our job is not done. As you take your place in the Air Forces I know that I can count on you to do your best - to give to your job the utmost in energy and enthusiasm.

You are going to help us immeasurably, and we will do our best to help you.

My sincerest welcome to you.

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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM WASHINGTON D C ARE QUOTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:
QUOTE TO THE MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OF THE ARMY SERVICE FORCE WHERE-
EVER THEY MAY BE STATIONED MY BEST WISHES FOR THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON AND MY
GRATITUDE FOR A YEAR OF SOLID ACCOMPLISHMENT. IN THE YEAR WHICH IS CLOSING
YOU HAVE PERFORMED YOUR TRYING TASKS WITH SPIRIT AND DEVOTION. EACH OF YOU
HAS A SHARE IN THE CREDIT FOR THE ADVANCES WE HAVE MADE IN ADMINISTRATION
TRANSPORTATION OR SUPPLY. I AM CONFIDENT THAT 1945 WILL BE A PERIOD OF FINE
ACHIEVEMENT OF WHICH WE ALL WILL BE PROUD. SIGNED SOMERVELL UNQUOTE.
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4. Commanding General FIRST FRENCH AIR CORPS

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY GENERAL HICKENHOWER FROM
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ELEVEN MONTHS AGO YOU LED THE ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ACROSS THE ENGLISH
CHANNEL AND CARRYING WITH YOU THE HOPE AND PRAYERS OF MILLIONS OF MEN AND WOMEN
OF MANY NATIONS PD PARA TO IT WAS ENTRUSTED THE TASK OF ANNIHILATING THE GERMAN
ARMIES IN WESTERN EUROPE AND OF THIS LIBERATING THE PEOPLES WHOM THEY HAD
ENSLAVED PD PARA ALL THE WORLD NOW KNOWS THAT YOU AFTER FIERCE AND CONTINUOUS
BATTLE YOU THIS FORCE HAS ACCOMPLISHED ITS MISSION WITH A FINALITY ACHIEVED BY
NO OTHER SUCH EXPEDITION IN HISTORY PD PARA ON BEHALF OF ALL MY PEOPLES I ASK
THAT YOU AND ITS SUPREME COMMANDER WILL TELL ITS MEMBERS HOW DEEPLY GRATEFUL
WE ARE TO THEM AND HOW UNBOUNDED IS OUR ADMIRATION FOR THE COURAGE AND
DETERMINATION WHICH YOU UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP HAVE BROUGHT THEM TO THEIR GOAL
OF COMPLETE AND CRUSHING VICTORY PD PARA I WOULD ASK YOU ALSO TO CONVEY A SPECIAL
MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO MY OWN FORCES NOW UNDER YOUR COMMAND PD PARA
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HEADQUARTERS, U.S. STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE

January 4, 1945

Statement by Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, commanding general of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, which may be used as direct quotes:

"Tomorrow, January 5, ends the first year of operation of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

"They have made vital contributions toward the ultimate defeat of Germany.

"They rendered the German Air Force incapable of effective resistance against the Allied landings in France.

"Together with Bomber Command of the Royal Air Force, they denied the ~~enemy~~ *a great percentage of her oil production in* ~~enemy approximately 4,000,000 tons of oil products during 1944.~~

"As members of the Allied ground-air team, they have devoted a large part of their effort to direct cooperation with the ground armies.

"During most of 1944 their strategic attacks, together with those of Bomber Command, forced the Germans to tie down approximately 1,700,000 men--the numerical equivalent of 140 ground divisions--in defense of important targets. Additional hundreds of thousands have been and are engaged in repairing bomb damage, building scattered small plants or developing factories underground.

"Today our airmen face a strong defensive German Air Force.

"They operate against flak guns manned by 750,000 to 1,000,000 men. Heavy anti-aircraft guns have been concentrated in unparalleled numbers around critical oil targets. One area of oil plants alone is defended by more heavy guns than all of Greater Berlin.

"The German defenses have never stopped our crews.

"Despite them, the American Air Forces here and those under General Eaker in the Mediterranean flew 1,045,723 sorties and dropped 958,000 tons of bombs last year. The U.S. Strategic Air Forces put up 3,500 planes--2,200 heavy bombers and 1,300 long-range fighters--in one operation.

"One of the great battles of history, ground and air, is now going on. In it we are making every conceivable use of all the forces at our command.

"Our offensive air power is stronger than ever before and we are confident of our ability to continue delivering effective attacks against any place or system of targets that we choose."

The following is a report by Lt. Gen Spaatz on the first year of operations by the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe. Material in it may be used as

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indirect quotations from General Spaatz, if desired, but should not be used as direct quotations from him.

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At the beginning of 1944, the American doctrine of daylight precision bombardment confronted the greatest test since twelve B-17 Flying Fortresses fought their way through flak to the railway yards at Rouen, France, on August 17, 1942, and returned safely to their base in England.

American air power in Europe had gone a long way since this initial shallow penetration of the German-dominated skies. Our forces in the European and Mediterranean theaters of operations had grown gradually, despite losses and the requirements of other theaters, until they were adequate to tackle the enormous and immediate problem--rendering the German Air Force incapable of effectively resisting invasion.

The Luftwaffe was well along in its program, inspired in 1942 by the RAF's strategic night bombing and the threat of our daylight attack, to quadruple the German fighter force. Our limited forces in the United Kingdom and the Mediterranean had checked this program with bitterly-opposed blows at the ball bearing and aircraft industries during the summer and fall of 1943, but had winter weather and the Germans' remarkable powers of repair and recuperation had given the enemy a chance to bring production well above losses. With a strong air force in being and a reported production goal of 40,000 to 50,000 planes in 1944, the Luftwaffe had to be attacked at its source, in the air and on its airfields.

We had to gain aerial supremacy not only to protect our landings but to obtain freedom to bomb critical targets anywhere in the Reich without prohibitive losses.

The urgency of the task required concentration of purpose and resources. With this in mind, the U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe was created to coordinate planning and operations of the U. S. Eighth Air Force in England and the U. S. Fifteenth Air Force in Italy. This unified command began functioning on January 6, 1944.

Bad weather restricted the attack during January, but late in February the skies cleared long enough to enable the Eighth and Fifteenth to operate virtually as a unit and deliver terrific blows.

In one of the greatest air battles of the war, fought on five of the six days from February 20 to 25, aircraft plants at Leipzig, Gotha, Bernberg, Brunswick, Oschersleben, Tutow, Halberstadt, Regensburg, Wurth and Augsburg were heavily damaged. The Luftwaffe, realizing fully what was at stake, resisted savagely. Six-hundred and eight ~~eight~~ German planes were destroyed in aerial combat, most of them by our fighters, whose steadily increased range enabled them by this time to protect our bombers on very deep penetrations. Additional German aircraft were destroyed by the bombing of airfields.

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Through the spring the attack was maintained against the GAF at its sources of production, its finished products on the ground and in the air, and its operational and repair bases. The Luftwaffe continued resistance almost to the point of suicide.

From the week of good weather in February until D-day, June 6, the German Air Force was unable to produce planes as fast as it lost them. On D-day the Luftwaffe was still a large air force, but much of its strength was tied deep within Germany by Allied strategic bombing power, its bases for anti-invasion operations had been hard hit by strategic and tactical attacks, its serviceability was extremely low, and Allied planes controlled the air over our armada in the Channel and our troops rushing the beaches of Normandy.

Before D-day, the Germans realized that, if they were going to have any air force left, they would have to conserve their existing planes drastically, sending them up only under the most favorable circumstances or to defend the most critical targets. They realized, too, that they would have to develop new fighter production in widely dispersed small plants and underground factories.

Our strategic air forces then faced the choice of seeking out and attacking hundreds of scattered small plants or of policing the major factories remaining above ground and concentrating their main effort on other targets, such as oil and communications, that would weaken the entire German war machine.

The latter course was chosen deliberately and with full knowledge that, as one consequence, we would have to contend with an increased number of German fighters.

We do not know how many aircraft the Germans produced in 1944 but estimates indicate that the output of all types, including trainers and others considered non-operational, was around 50 per cent of the production planned at the start of the year.

The German Air Force today is a strong defensive weapon. In total numbers of front line aircraft, it is not far below the position it held at the end of 1943. The long-range bomber force, which was never comparable in concept or development to the American and British forces, dwindled further during the year, reflecting the emphasis on defense.

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Great numbers of experienced German pilots were lost in the year's air battles, and the tight fuel situation forced curtailment of training for new pilots. Serviceability varied and will continue to vary with the success of our attacks against oil.

The proportion of day fighters designed primarily to oppose daylight bombardment increased until they now comprise almost half of the German Air Force. Jet and rocket fighters and reconnaissance planes, possessing great speed but limited maneuverability, appeared in small volume during the year. Our experience against these is far from complete and they will have to be watched carefully.

Outstanding on the favorable side of the current ledger is the fact that Allied air power is stronger than ever before and that we are confident of our ability to continue delivering effective attacks against any place or system of targets that we choose.

Although the campaign against the German aircraft industry and direct cooperation with ground troops required most of our effort during the first six months of 1944, the strategic air forces were able before D-day to strike the first blows in another great offensive--against oil.

Although drastic curtailment of all classes of consumption was enforced almost from the beginning of the attacks, the German use of reserves prevented the full effects of the fall in production from being felt on the front during the earlier part of the offensive. Reliable evidence indicates that these reserves were seriously strained during September, when the enemy was able to produce no more than one-fourth of his pre-attack production.

The oil campaign, which is continuing, has had far-reaching effects. It has hastened decline of the Luftwaffe's bombing force; delayed reconstruction of the submarine service; forced the withdrawal of longrange reconnaissance and anti-shipping units of the German Air Force and, by the immobilization of equipment, brought about the capture of many thousands of German soldiers. Captured documents and interrogation of prisoners show that, next to the manpower situation, oil is the greatest single factor in determining German strategy and tactics.

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The clearest evidence of the importance and destructiveness of the assault upon oil lies in the disposition of defenses and repair crews, which indicates that the German High Command has given highest priority to protection and repair of damaged oil plants.

Many of our greatest air battles have been over oil plants. But fighter interception has never stopped our planes. Anti-aircraft guns have been concentrated in unparalleled strength around the oil targets. One area of oil plants alone is guarded by more heavy guns than all of Greater Berlin. The guns did not stop our bombers, either. Consequently, the Germans installed large repair camps near the targets. As soon as an attack ends, the repair work begins.

During a large part of 1944, Allied strategic bombing forced the Germans to tie down approximately 1,700,000 men in defense of targets--a vast army which otherwise probably would have been fighting elsewhere or working in industry. Upwards of a million men--the numerical equivalent of 140 ground divisions--were required at one time to man anti-aircraft guns, although this force probably decreased as Allied successes reduced the area defended.

The remainder of the 1,700,000 defensive force included half a million in the German civil defense and air raid protection service, and about 250,000 GAF personnel charged with trying to keep Allied bombers from strategic targets.

It is impossible to estimate the number, but additional hundreds of thousands work day and night building underground and dispersed factories, and repairing oil refineries, rail and road communications, bridges and other targets.

Throughout the year, whenever the ground situation required it, the heavy bombers operated alongside the tactical air forces in their campaigns to isolate the enemy's front line troops from sources of supply and reinforcement, harass all his movements, destroy concentrations of equipment and supplies, and provide the maximum weight of explosive immediately ahead of our own ground forces during break-through operations.

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The Eighth Air Force devoted thirty-two per cent of its bomb tonnage to tactical targets and, together, the Eighth and Fifteenth dropped more than 150,000 tons of high explosives in close cooperation with the ground armies.

This account is concerned primarily with the operations of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe. Details of the equally vital tactical operations of the U.S. Ninth Air Force in France, the U.S. Twelfth Air Force in Italy, and the U.S. First Tactical Air Force (in which American and French airmen are fighting together in France) are left to their own summations.

An idea of the total American air effort brought to bear on the enemy in Europe during the last year may be obtained, however, from the fact that all of the American air forces in the European and Mediterranean theaters flew 1,045,728 sorties and dropped 958,000 tons of bombs. Enemy aircraft destroyed in the air and on the ground by American fighters and bombers totaled 15,318. This does not include the thousands destroyed or denied by attacks on aircraft factories. Our combat losses from all causes were 9,274.

Since the German counter-offensive began in mid-December, air power has provided the ground forces with direct cooperation unprecedented in this or any other theater of war.

Despite poor weather in the early stages, the U.S. Ninth Air Force performed an important delaying action before weather grounded most of its planes on December 20, 21 and 22. A remarkable run of favorable weather ensued and direct cooperation reached large proportions.

On December 19 the U.S. Eighth Air Force attacked railway yards behind the German front and, subsequently, it has provided close cooperation on twelve successive days, attacking rail and highway center airfields, de-training points and concentrations of tanks and other equipment.

In one of these operations, on December 24, more than 2,000 B-1 Flying Fortresses and B-24 Liberators, the largest force of heavy bombers ever dispatched by any air force on a single mission, bombed eleven airdromes, supply centers, bridges and rail junctions. Escorting P-47 Thunderbolts and P-51 Mustangs destroyed 70 of the

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enemy fighters which tried to attack our bombers that day, and photographs made during the bombing showed generally good results. At least eight of the eleven airdromes attacked were damaged so badly that they were made temporarily unserviceable, and at the others hangars and other buildings were damaged.

Without interrupting its assault upon supply routes to the battle area, the Eighth took advantage of fine bombing weather over Northern Germany on December 31 and January 1 to renew the offensive against oil and other strategic targets. Refineries at Hamburg, Misburg and Dollbergen, submarine yards at Hamburg, a tank works at Kassel and a jet aircraft factory at Wenzendorf were damaged severely.

From the beginning of the counter-offensive to date, the U.S. Eighth and Ninth Air Forces and the Twelfth Tactical Air Command, the American component of the First Tactical Air Force, have flown 38,817 sorties and dropped more than 35,500 tons of bombs.

In this period they have reported destroying 921 German planes in the air and on the ground.

The same forces, with the Ninth Air Force and Twelfth TAC doing most of the operations in this field, reported the destruction of 742 tanks and armored vehicles, 4,578 motor-vehicles, 3,445 railway cars, and 263 locomotives. Hundreds of gun positions and fortified buildings were attacked and many rail and bridge cuts made.

American losses during this period were 447 aircraft.

It will be a long time before effects of the bombing of communications are established fully, but prisoners have already told of German railheads being forced back 50 and 60 miles by air attacks.

The Ninth Troop Carrier Command was the lifeline for the 101st Airborne Division while it was surrounded at Bastogne. More than 800 sorties were flown to the area and more than 40 gliders towed in. Together they carried more than 1,750 tons of arms, ammunition, medicine and other supplies.

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While the reduction of the German Air Force before our landings, the campaign against the enemy's oil industry and tactical operations loom largest in the picture of American air power in Europe, there were many other important developments.

Our forces assisted in protecting and supplying the airborne operations in Holland; dropped supplies to the Maquis in Occupied France; evacuated wounded troops; flew millions of pounds of gasoline to American tanks pursuing the Germans across France, and performed scores of other vital functions.

The third segment of the air triangle enveloping the Reich was added in June when U.S. bombers of the Fifteenth and Eighth Air Forces began utilizing bases in Russia. The Fifteenth inaugurated operations to the Russian bases on June 2, its attack having been timed to divert enemy fighters from France. Eighth bombers and long-range fighters then flew missions to Russia, Italy and back. Bases of the Eastern Command, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, were manned by both Americans and Russians and our operations included close cooperation to assist the Russian advance.

Bombing of "secret weapon" launching sites, production plants and supply lines reduced the scale and effectiveness of these attacks.

The technique of bombing through clouds with the aid of scientific instruments was improved to the point where, good weather or bad, the enemy could never feel secure. Although such bombing is still not as accurate as visual attacks in clear weather, heavy damage was done by this method to many important targets.

None of the year's activity in the air would have been possible without the tireless work of highly-trained ground crews and other service units.

The Ninth Air Force Engineer Command landed in Normandy on D-day at 1000 hours under mortar fire and 120 days later was at the Maginot line, having built airfields en route, frequently under sniper fire.

Into the hands of the U.S. Air Service Command in Europe poured thousands of combat aircraft for assembly and modification.

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Colored soldiers of its Combat Support Wing loaded and hauled, and its armament section handled, hundreds of thousands of tons of bombs; pilots and crewmen of its Transport Wing operated an aerial trucking service which shuttled across the English channel night and day, flying almost 8,000,000 miles to evacuate 20,000 wounded and transport 100,000 military passengers, 3,000,000 pounds of mail for front-line troops, and 60,000,000 pounds of supplies.

More than 353,000 tons of supplies moved through the Base Air Depot Area to operational bases.

During the first six months of 1944, Air Service Command handled 100 per cent more heavy bombers, 133 per cent more medium bombers, 133 per cent more fighter planes, 150 percent more transport planes and 33 percent more gliders than it had during the same period of 1943.

It is a tribute to the efficiency of the Air Service Command, charged with maintenance of our combat aircraft, that during 1944 less than one per cent of our planes were grounded for lack of parts.

Confidential Note to Correspondents:

The following explanation of the air command is NOT for publication excepting, of course, the names of the commanders and the designations and general locations of their forces:

Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, as Commanding General of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, controls operations of the two American heavy bombardment air forces attacking Germany—the Eighth and the Fifteenth. The Eighth, commanded by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, is based in England, and the Fifteenth, commanded by Maj. Gen. Nathan Twining, is based in Italy.

While both operations and administration of the Eighth are under General Spaatz, administration of the Fifteenth comes under the Mediterranean Allied Air Force Commander, Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker. General Eaker also controls operations and administration of the Twelfth Air Force, commanded by Maj. Gen. John K. Cannon.

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, controls operations of the air organizations cooperating directly with the ground armies. These organizations include the Ninth Air Force, commanded by Maj. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, and the First Tactical Air Force, commanded by Maj. Gen. Ralph Royce. However, General Eisenhower has delegated administrative control over these forces, except for the French component of First TAF, to General Spaatz.

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MAJOR F. W. WILSON, CPT., G.C.

9 DECEMBER 1944

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THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM AIR MINISTRY BIRMINGHAM IS QUOTED IN THE
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CG, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND, 213 AAA GROUP, 1ST FRENCH AIR CORPS.

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WARN ALL CONCERNED STARTING 20 NOV 44 ANTI-AIRCRAFT SEARCHLIGHTS
WILL EXPERIMENT IN MIRECOURT AREA IN PROVIDING ARTIFICIAL
MOON LIGHT.

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INSTRUCT UNITS THAT SWISS HYDRO DASH ELECTRIC POWER PLANTS AND DAMS
ALONG THE RHINE RIVER BETWEEN LAKE CONSTANCE AND BASLE ARE NOT
TO BE ATTACKED PD THE SWISS EMBLEM CONSISTING OF A WHITE CROSS
ON A RED FIELD MARKS ALL SWISS POWER PLANTS PD THESE EMBLEMS
ARE ILLUMINATED AT NIGHT PD IF THE DAMS WERE DESTROYED IN THAT
LOCALITY CMA DISASTROUS FLOODS WOULD RESULT.PD

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General
APO 633

18 MAR 1945

Report of Operations

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SUBJECT: Estimates of Effort

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
U.S. Army

1. As a basis for efficient logistical planning, this Headquarters requires periodic estimates of effort by each Air Force under the administration of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

2. Accordingly, it is requested that your Headquarters submit by the 20th of each month a forecast schedule of estimated sorties per unit equipment aircraft, by type and model aircraft, together with estimated total gasoline and bombs (by type) expenditure. The schedule will show such estimates for each month of the succeeding six months.

3. It is understood that the reports so submitted will be, at the best, estimates only. However, they should be based on the best data available to you. Factors such as past experience, weather forecasts, intelligence information, etc., will be considered.

4. Emphasis is placed on the fact that these estimates will in no way be considered as commitments to be accomplished but will serve as valuable instruments in fulfilling the administrative, supply and procurement functions of this Headquarters.

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General, USA
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HEADQUARTERS SIXTH ARMY GROUP
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
A.P.O. 23, U.S. Army

23 December 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL ERSKINE:

Subject: Enemy Parachute and "Offensive Intelligence"
Activity

1. The following is a summary of all information received to date (221800) concerning the current enemy parachute and "offensive intelligence" activity, with indications of source.

2. The numbers of enemy personnel involved have been given as 150 (12 AG). They were trained at GRAFENWEHR (1 USA) and left on their mission on 17 December from L 0795 (referring to 3 of their members--7USA). They are introduced both by parachute, aircraft, on foot, by captured Allied motor vehicles, and possibly by enemy combat vehicles (SHAEP).

3. They are divided into three main groups, one for radio transmission, one for sabotage, and one for reconnaissance. Others are used for harassing purposes. (12 AG)

4. The personnel has been in both Allied uniforms and civilians clothes (12AG, SHAEP). The Allied uniforms have been mostly American (SHAEP). Forty are dressed as American officers, up to and including the grade of major (1 USA). Their dogtags are German Army dogtags, and they carry German soldbuchs (1 USA). A 3rd Army report through the 7th Army states they wear dogtags, but a 12 AG report states they have no dogtags.

5. They are equipped with explosives, including a new type of grenade launching pistol (SHAEP). They may carry acid capsules to facilitate escape (SHAEP and 1 USA).

6. They may be identified in the following ways:
- a. The wearing of pink or blue scarves (12AG)
 - b. Blouse or overcoat buttonholes will be left open (12AG)
 - c. A partial head bandage will be worn (SHAEP)
 - d. Steel helmets will be removed (SHAEP)
 - e. Troops will knock twice on their helmets (12AG)
 - f. At night white Very lights and flashlights showing red and blue illumination will be used (SHAEP)
 - g. The letter C or D will be painted on the left side of the hoods of vehicles including tanks (12AG)
 - h. The letter Z on American tanks may also be a recognition signal (Exfor)
 - i. Some of their American jeeps are carrying the markings of the 1st, 9th, and 188th Division (SHAEP, 12AG)

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TO EXFOR MAIN FOR GEORGE SUGAR ITEM CMA
TWELFTH ARMY GROUP FOR GEORGE TWO CMA
SIXTH ARMY GROUP REAR FOR GEORGE TWO CMA
COMMUNICATIONS ²ZONE FOR GEORGE TWO CMA
ANCFX FOR ABLE CHARLIE OBOE SUGAR PAREN ITEM PAREN
FOR INFORMATION TO TROOPERS FOR DOG MIKE ITEM CMA
AGWAR FOR GEORGE TWO CMA
SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE FOR CHIEF¹ INTELLIGENCE OFFICER CMA
NINTH AIR FORCE FOR ABLE TWO CMA
FIRST ^{UN}JOINTED STATES TACTICAL AIR ^EFORCE FOR ABLE TWO CMA
USSTAF FOR ABLE TWO CMA
SHAEF REAR FOR GEORGE TWO FOR BAKER GEORGE SUGAR CHARLIE ITEM PLANS PD
TWO TWO ONE SEVEN XERO XERO
SHAEF MAIN FROM GEORGE TWO
SIGNED SUGAR CHARLIE ABLE EASY FOX
CITE SUGAR HOW GEORGE BAKER ITEM

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SUGAR SEVENTWOXEROETHREEFOUR PD

SUGAR GEORGE TWO FIVE SIX PD

FOLLOWING IS COUNTERINTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NUMBER TEN FOR WEEK ENDING
^{TWO}
TWO NINE DECEMBER ²NINE FOUR FOUR

NOTABLE THIS WEEK IS GREAT INTENSIFICATION OF EFFORT BY ENEMY
INFORMATION AND SABOTAGE SERVICES PD ALTHOUGH PRESUMED CONNECTED WITH
PRESENT GERMAN OFFENSIVE CMA DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNDERLYING STRATEGIC
CONCEPTIONS OF THESE ACTIVITIES TO ^{PA}DATE IS NOT RPT NOT SUFFICIENT TO
WARRANT AN ACCURATE APPRECIATION CMA THOUGH PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES
PROBABLY ARE FUEL SUPPLIES AND LINES OF COMMUNICATION CMA PARTICULARLY
RAILROADS PD THE TWO MAJOR ASPECTS ARE COLON PARA ABLE PD OPERATIONS
BY ~~P ERASE READ~~ BY HARRASSING UNITS PRINCIPALLY IN AND BEHIND FIRST
UNITED STATES ^{IR} JIVY LINES CMA COMPRISING LARGE NUMBERS PERSONNEL IN
AMERICAN UNIFORMS CMA PROBABLY IDENTIFIABLE AS THE SUGAR SUGAR
JAGDVERBAENDE RPT JAGDVERBAENDE TRAINED AND OPERATED BY SKORXENY PARA
BAKER PD LARGE SCALE ENEMY EFFORT TO DROP PARACHUTE AGENTS ¹ATOP FRANCE
COLON TWO LYONS CMA ~~REIGHT~~ ^TYBLOIS SEMICOLON INDICATIONS THAT ONE CMA

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THREE AND FIVE HAVE BEEN DROPPED AT MONTPELIER CMA POISSY AND
EPINAY ~~RESPECTIVELY~~ ^{PD} INTERROGATIONS OF TEN SO FAR CAPTURED INDICATE
FURTHER PARACHUTE OPERATIONS PROBABLY IN REGIONS CHAMPAGNE CMA TOULOUSE
CMA RHONE VALLEY CMA CLERMONT FERRAND CMA GRENOBLE CMA MARSEILLES CMA
HAUTE SAVOIE RD PARA COUNTER PARACHUTE MEASURES INVOLVING ESTABLISHMENT
TELEPHONE LINKED OBSERVATION POSTS CMA NIGHT WATCHES AND MOBILE SEARCH
~~PAITIES ERASE READ SEARCH~~ ^{PR} ~~PAITIES~~ BEING PLANNED BY FRENCH PARA ONE
ESPIONAGE PARA ABLE TWO PARACHUTE ^A ~~AGENTS~~ CAPTURED LYOPS HAD WILLIAM
TARE SETS ^{AND} ~~ACD~~ MISSIONS TO ^E ~~PREPARE~~ BASE FOR FURTHER PARACHUTISTS AND
REPORT SECURITY AND POLITICAL ^A ~~SITUATION~~ ^F ~~RANCE~~ PARA ^B ~~BAKER~~ TWO AGENTS
CAPTURED ~~MARBACH A ERASE READ~~ MARBACH HAD MISSION TO REPORT WHEREABOUTS
DJNCKERN PAREN VIDE COUNTERINTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NUMBER SEVEN CMA THREE
DOG CMA LAST ^P ~~PARA~~ PAREN AND ON POLITICAL AND ~~ECONOMICA ERASE READ~~
ECONOMIC ^C ~~CONDITIONS~~ PARA CHARLIE TWO IMPORTANT AGENTS ARRESTED BELGIUM
CMA ONE BELONGING TO ~~STAYBEHIND~~ ORGANIZATION PARA DOG THRED DUTCH
MEMBERS BRHNDENBURG REGIMENT ARRESTED HOLLAND EARLY DECEMBER
CROSSING LINES IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES TO OBTAIN IDENTIFICATIONS AND UNIT
LOCATIONS PD AGENTS HAD BRIEF TRAINING ONLY AND WERE BADLY OPERATED

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PARA EASY ARREST IN FRANCE OF SUGAR DOG AGENT EMPLOYED SINCE ONE NINE
FOUR ONE FOR LONG TERM PENETRATION OF FRENCH BANKING AND ECONOMIC
CIRCLES PARA FOX LINE CROSSER DESPATCHED FROM MULHEIM ON MISSION OF
UNIT IDENTIFICATIONS ARRESTED BY FIRST ARMY CMA WAS RECRUITED FROM
VOLKSTURM AND BADLY TRAINED PARA GEORGE FURTHER ARREST STRASBOURG OF
AGENT WITH TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE MISSION PARA HOW WOMAN AGENT ARRESTED
IN PARIS WHILE TRYING TO CONTACT ALREADY CAPTURED AND IMPORTANT
SABOTEUR CMA HAD SUBORDINATE WOMEN AGENTS EMPLOYED TO DISCOVER FUEL
LOCATIONS PARA TWO SABOTAGE PARA ABLE EXPLOITATION OF ENEMY SABOTEUR
CAPTURED OCTOBER HAS LEAD TO DISCOVERY ONE NINE BURCPD DUMPS SABOTAGE
EQUIPMENT LIBOURNE AREA PAREN VIDE COUNTER INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NUMBER
TWO PARA TWO PAREN PARA BAKER GROUP EIGHT PARACHUTE SABOTEURS DROPPED
NEAR BLOIS WITH MISSION SABOTAGE PIPELINE BETWEEN CHERBOURG AND NANCY
AND PLANT ANTIPERSONNEL BOMBS PARIS METRO PD SIX CAPTURED CMA ONE
SUICIDE SEMICOLON LEADER ALBERT JEANNE PAREN MAY BE WEARING AMERICAN
ARMY OVERALLS PAREN MISSING PD FEATURES OF THIS GROUP COLON ALL MEMBERS
PETER PETER FOX AND EMBODIED SUGAR SUGAR JAEGERBATTALION FIVE ZERO TWO
CMA WHICH THEY REPORT EMPLASS TWO AMERICAN AIRCRAFT FOR PARACHUTE

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OPERATIONS CWA BOEING ONE SEVEN WITH GERMAN MARKINGS AND FLYING FORTRESS
PD FOR PIPELINE SABOTAGE CWA BOMBS CONCEALED IN GERMAN CORNED BEEF TINS
WITH INCENDIARY CHARGE TO FIRE PETROL ON RELEASE PD MEMBERS OF GROUP
TRAINED NEUSTRELITX WHICH APPEARS TO BE FINAL OPERATIONAL TRAINING
SCHOOL LED BY TRAINEES FROM MAIN SCHOOL AT SCHLOSS FRIEDENTHAL PAREN
VISE COUNTER INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NUMBER NINE CWA PARA TWO CHARLIE
PAREN PARA THREE GENERAL SECURITY AND POLITICAL FACTORS PARA FRANCE
PARA IN ASSESSING POAXUVSAL POSITION FRANCE CWA ACCOUNT MUST BE TAKEN
AVAILABILITY TO ENEMY OF LARGE PROGERVAN EXTREMISTS SHELTERING IN
REICH PD THERE ARE INDICATIONS GERMAN EFFORTS TOWARDS POLITICAL
UNIFICATION OF GROUPS DTRNAND CWA DEAT CWA BUCARD CWA DORIOT UNDER
LEADERSHIP OF LAST NAMED AND OF PLANS BY SUGAR DOG PAREN AMT SIX PAREN
TO EMPLOY ACTIVIST ELEMENTS THESE PADDIES FOR REVOLUTIONARY ACTION
INSIDE FRANCE PD SIGNIFICANT ALSO IS RECENT INCREASE ENEMY EFFORT TO
OBTAIN THROUGH AGENTS POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SITUATION REPORT ON
FRANCE PD CONSIDERED POSSIBLE STRONG EFFORTS MAY BE MADE TO EMPLOY
POLITICAL DISRUPTION TACTICS INVOLVING INSERTION ENEMY AGENTS INTO
POLITICAL PARTIES PRESENTLY COLLABORATING DE GAULLE IN ORDER TO PUSH

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THEIR POLICIES TO EXTREMES ^{LD} IN THIS CONNECTION BUREAU FOR QUOTE
PROPAGANDA ^{IN} FEINDLAND UNQUOTE UNDER MARTIN BORMAN REPORTED RECENTLY
INCREASED TO INCLUDE SECTION FOR WORK IN LOST EUROPEAN TERRITORIES PARA
BELGIUM PARA ^{ABLE} SEARCHING ENQUIRIES HAVE NOT RPT NOT REVEALED
EVIDENCE CONNECTING ^{EC} RECENT DISTURBANCES WITH ACTIVITIES OF ENEMY AGENTS
PARA BAKER SURETE AND GENDARMECIE REPORT THAT DISARMING OF RESISTANCE
GROUPS PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY BUT NO UP TO DATE FIGURES OF ARMS
SURRENDERED ARE AVAILABLE PD ALTHOUGH ^{DISARMED} CVA MORE ENERGETIC
MEMBERS OF THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENTS ^{EN} CONTINUE ROUNDING UP LARGE NUMBERS
COLLABORATORS ~~ERASE READ~~ COLLABORATORS INCLUDING ENEMY AGENTS PARA
CHARLIE GOVERNMENT CRITICISED FOR LACK OF ENERGY IN DETAINING
INDUSTRIALISTS WHO ^{AVE} HAVE COLLABORATED PARA DOG INDICATIONS INCREASING
NUMBER ENEMY ESCAPERS AND EVADERS REGAINING THEIR OWN LINES AND EVIDENCE
ORGANISED SYSTEMS FOR ILLEGAL PASSAGE CIVILIANS AND CONTRABAND ACROSS
FRENCH BELGIAN FRONTIER PD CLOSE ATTENTION NOW BEING GIVEN TO PROBLEM
OF TIGHTENING UP ALL CONTROLS ON MOVEMENT PARA HOLM AND PARA DES ^{ITE}
SCARCITY OF FOOD AND FUEL ONLY DEMONSTRATION ON THIS ACCOUNT EINDHOVEN
CVA NOVEMBER TWO ONE WAS ^S SMALL ASD RV SUPERSIVE INFLUENCE SUSPECTED PD

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FIRST TRIAL OF DUTCH ENEMY AGENTS HELD EINDHOVEN DECEMBER ONE TWO
RESULTED IN THREE⁵ DEATH SENTENCES AND TWO FIFTEEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT PD
PARA GERMANY: PARA ABLE NEW INFORMATION INDICATES PERSONNEL AND
DIRECTION POST DEFEAT GUERRILLA WARFARE WILL BE SUPPLIED FROM PARTY
RANKS CMA MAINLY SUGAR⁵ TUGAR AND NOT RPT NOT FROM WEHRMACHT PARA BAKER
ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO IMPORTANCE OF AMT THREE OF SUGAR DOG WHICH
CONTR⁰OLS PAID AND UNPAID INFORMERS INSIDE REICH PD CONSIDERED SUCH MEN
OFTEN NOT RPT NOT KNOWN^{AS} PROMINENT NAZIS CMA LIKELY TO BE IMPORTANT
SOURCE OF POST DEFEAT AGENTS PD IMPORTANCE AMT THREE DOES NOT RPT NOT
DIVINISH IMPORTANCE^{NCE A} FUKHMT SIX IN SAME CONNECTION PD AMT FOUR CMA THAT IS
GESTAPO CMA WILL HAVE FOREIGN SECTION RESPONSIBLE INSTIGATING DISORDERS
OUTSIDE REICH AND HOME SECTIONS FOR TRAINING CAMOUFLAGED^{co} CLX LABORATORS
AND ASSASSINATING GENUINE ONES PARA CHARLIE INDICATIONS
COMMUNIST AND TROTSKYIST COMMUNIST MOVEMENTS EXIST AMONG GERMAN WORKERS
PD PEASANTS REPUTED ANTIBOLSHEVIK AND GENERALLY UNLIKELY TO ENCOURAGE
AND ASSIST MAQUIB^S ACTIVITIES

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SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE PD

FROM AIR STAFF SUGAR/ABLE/FOX FORWARD

ABLE TWO/THREE/XERO THREE MARCH ONE/NINE/FOUR/FIVE

PLAN REFERRED TO IN (ABLE TWO/THREE/XERO) CVA THREE MARCH ONE/NINE/FOUR/FIVE

THIS HEADQUARTERS CVA WILL BE REFERRED TO AS OPERATION BUGLE PD

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AIR MINISTRY WHITEHALL CLN

NINTH AIR FORCE ADVANCED CLN

SECOND TARE/ABLE/FOX MAIN CLN

FIRST TARE/ABLE/CHARLIE/ABLE/FOX BRA PROV BRA

REPEATED ROGER/ABLE/FOX BOMBER COMMAND ADVANCED CLN

UNCLE/SUGAR/SUGAR/TARE/ABLE/FOX ADVANCED

FROM AIR STAFF SUGAR/HOW/ABLE/EASY/FOX FORWARD

ABLE/TWO/SEVEN/SEVEN NINTH MARCH

OPERATION BUGLE REPEAT BUGLE IS POSTPONED FROM SUNDAY ELEVENTH MARCH

UNTIL WEATHER CONDITIONS APPEAR FAVORABLE FOR VISUAL BOMBING IN TARGET

AREA PD YOU WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED AT THAT TIME

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ROGER ABLE FOX BOMBER COMMAND ADVANCED CMA

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE CMA

SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE

FROM AIR STAFF SHAEF REPEAT SHAEF FOXWARD ABLE TWOFOURFIVE

FIVEMARCH ONE NINEFOURFIVE

REFERENCE PLAN BUGLE REPEAT BUGLE CMA MESSAGE THIS HEADQUARTERS ABLE
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PARAGRAPH THREE PD THERE IS NO INTENTION REPEAT INTENTION OF LIMITING

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ATTACKS TO ONLY THOSE TARGETS SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN THE STRATEGIC
TARGET COMMITTEE^T/APOSTROPHE SUPER^S LIST PD THE INTENTION WAS MAINLY TO
DESIGNATE AREAS WITH SELECTION OF TARGETS LEFT TO STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
TO INCLUDE^N THOSE TARGETS WHICH WILL BEST AFFECT THE OVERALL PLAN

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ROGERABLEFOX BOMBER COMMAND CMA

NINTH AIR FORCE CMA

FIRST TACTICAL AIF FORCE CMA

SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE

FROM AIR STAFF SUGARHOWABLEEASYFOX FORWARD

ABLE TWOTHREEFIVE FOURTH MARCH ONENINEFOURFIVE PD TOP SECRET PD

REGARDING ABLE TWOTHREEXERO THIS HEADQUARTERS THIRD MARCH ONENINEFOURFIVE

CMA MES SAGE REPEAT MESSAGE SHOULD READ QUOTE PLAN REFERRED TO IN

ABLE TWOTWONINE THIRD MARCH ONENINEFOURFIVE THIS HEADQUARTERS CMA WILL

BE REFERRED TO AS OPERATION BUGLE REPEAT BUGLE UNQUOTE

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NINTH AIR FORCE ADVANCED CLN

SECOND TAREABLEFOX MAIN CLN

FIRST TAREABLECHARLIEABLEFOX PROV

REPENTED ROGERABLEFOX Bomber COMMAND ADVANCED CLN

UNCLESUGARSUGARTAREABLEFOX ADVANCED

FROM AIR STAFF SUGARHOWABLEEASYFOX FORWARD

ABLE TWOSEVENTWO

NINE MARCH TOP SECRET

OPERATION BUGLE REPEAT BUGLE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE EXECUTED SATURDAY

ONEKEYO MARCH PD LIKELY DATE FOR THIS OPERATION BASED ON PRESENT

WEATHER FORECAST IS SUNDAY ONEONE MARCH

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Ref No. FWD-20801

To : 1ST TAC AF MAIN

Dated: MAY 070410B

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Rec'd: MAY 070550B

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1. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND SIGNED THE UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER OF ALL GERMAN LAND, SEA, AND AIR FORCES IN EUROPE TO THE ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE AND TO THE SOVIET HIGH COMMAND AT 0141 HOURS CENTRAL EUROPEAN TIME, 7 MAY UNDER WHICH ALL FORCES WILL CEASE ACTIVE OPERATIONS AT 0001B HOURS 9 MAY.

2. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY ALL OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS BY ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCES WILL CEASE AND TROOPS WILL REMAIN IN PRESENT POSITIONS. MOVES INVOLVED IN OCCUPATIONAL DUTIES WILL CONTINUE. DUE TO DIFFICULTIES IN COMMUNICATIONS THERE MAY BE SOME DELAY IN SIMILIARY ORDERS REACHING ENEMY TROOPS SO FULL DEFENSIVE PRECAUTIONS WILL BE TAKEN.

3. ALL INFORMED DOWN TO AND INCLUDING DIVISIONS, TACTICAL AIR COMMANDS AND GROUPS, BASE SECTIONS, EQUIVALENT. NO REPEAT NO RELEASE WILL BE MADE TO THE PRESS PENDING AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HEADS OF THE THREE GOVERNMENTS.

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RAIL INTERDICTION PROGRAM

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Site 3-01479, 12 Oct 1944 refers.

Recent rail interdiction policy has not been effective due to enemy communications net, ability to repair lines, weather delays, and small force available.

It is considered that cutting of RAILROAD BRANCH area will probably result in heavy equipment to RAILROAD BRANCH area and destruction of line and many personnel and equipment during advance to RAILROAD BRANCH area and reduce enemy force west of RAILROAD BRANCH area. Also it is considered that RAILROAD BRANCH will remain after enemy retreat.

Therefore, due to enemy force concentration of RAILROAD BRANCH area and the area not effective use of air power on 12 Oct, Request approval for the attack of RAILROAD BRANCH as follows:

(Coordinated plan for each H)

1. First priority to H in RAILROAD BRANCH area

- a. Railroad BR
- b. Highway BR
- c. Highway BR

2. Second priority to H in RAILROAD BRANCH area

- a. Railroad BR
- b. Highway BR
- c. Highway BR

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TO: FIRST TACAF

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IN VIEW OF PROBABLE UNLOADING OF TWO PANZER DIVISIONS IN THIS AREA,
MOST URGENTLY REQUEST THAT HEAVY BOMBERS ATTACK MARSHALLING YARDS
AND UNLOADING AREAS IN FOLLOWING TOWNS:

KAISERLAUTERN

LANDAU

ZWEIBRUCKEN

NEUNKIRCHEN

HOMBURG

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ALSO MOST URGENTLY REQUEST THAT BAD MUNSTER BRIDGE BE DESTROYED
IF IT HAS BEEN REPAIRED.

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RALPH E. FISHER, COL, GSC

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15 DECEMBER 1655

CG, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND

CG, FIRST FRENCH AIR CORPS

E 7411 Info - CG, AIR STAFF SHAEF

MULTIPLE ADDRESS MESSAGE

AIR STAFF SHAEF HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS HEADQUARTERS SUBMIT A PLAN FOR THE USE OF AVIATION IN UPSETTING THE GERMAN TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. WHILE RAIL CUTS BY FIGHTER BOMBERS AND BRIDGE TARGETS FOR MEDIUM BOMBERS HAVE BEEN ROUTINE FOR SOME TIME, NO REAL PLAN FOR THE WHOLE AREA HAS BEEN PRESENTED. AIR STAFF SHAEF IS VERY DESIROUS OF HAVING SUCH A PLAN IN ORDER THAT IT CAN DEPEND OUR REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE BY STRATEGICAL BOMBERS AGAINST CERTAIN TARGETS DESIGNATED BY US. THE PLAN FOR THE XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND WILL COVER SIXTH ARMY GROUP AREA NORTH OF THE LINE STRASBOURG - GEISLINGEN (85505) REPEAT STRASBOURG - GEISLINGEN (85505). THE FIRST FRENCH AIR CORPS WILL COVER THE AREA SOUTH OF THE ABOVE LINE. PLANS WILL BE SUBMITTED NOT LATER THAN 16 DECEMBER SO THAT NECESSARY ADJUSTMENT AND LATERAL COORDINATION MAY BE ASSURED.

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Dated: 161200A

TO : 1ST TAC AF PROV

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FROM AIR STAFF SHAEF

TO HQ NINTH AIR FORCE ADVANCED: HQ SECOND TAF MAIN: HQ FIRST TAF PROV.
REPEATED HQ USSTAF MAIN: AIRMINISTRY WHITEHALL: HQ EIGHTH AIR FORCE
CITE A 286 - 16 DECEMBER 1944

STUDY OF RESULTS OF RAIL CUTS INDICATES THAT ATTACKS TO CUT RAILS
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RALPH E. FISHER, COL, GSO

17 December 1944 1035

CG, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
CG, FIRST FRENCH AIR CORPS
CG, WESTERN FRENCH AIR FORCE

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SHARP STUDY OF RAIL CUTS INDICATES THAT ATTACKS ON RAILS AT SMALL STATIONS ACHIEVE MUCH GREATER EFFECT THAN ATTACKS ALONG ISOLATED STRETCHES OF TRACK. SUCH ATTACKS DAMAGE COMMUNICATIONS, CAUSE CASUALTIES, AND EFFECT MORALE. SUGGEST IN YOUR STUDY OF RAILWAY INTERDICTION PROGRAM, INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING ATTACKS ON SUCH LOCATIONS TO ACHIEVE ABOVE RESULTS.

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HEADQUARTERS
XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND
APO 374

E/N/2

23 November 1944

SUBJECT: Future Objectives.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) U.S. Army.

I. GENERAL.

A. The following possible air force systems of objectives on our immediate front are either under attack at present, or contemplated as future targets.

B. Photo coverage of all potential targets for which pictures are not available will be made as soon as weather permits.

II. RAILWAY INTERDICTIONS.

A. PHASE I.

By interdiction of North-South rail traffic on the banks of the RHINE river to cut off the flow of supplies and enemy reinforcements into the present battle area, and also to slow down any enemy escape from the STRASBOURG area.

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| 1. RASTATT rail bridge (R-351288) - Photo V2-23 | Estimated Effort
3 Gps Med Bombers |
| 2. SELTZ rail bridge (R-267334) - Photo V2-47 | 100 F/B Sorties |
| 3. WISSEMBOURG rail bridge (R-176475) - Photo V2-35 | " " " |
| 4. LAUTERBOURG rail bridge (R-351426) - Photo V2-904 | " " " |

B. PHASE II.

By interdiction of rail lines between the SWISS-ITALIAN border and southern GERMANY to prevent the enemy from securing supplies from ITALY and SWITZERLAND. These attacks to be coordinated with present MAAF attacks in the BRENNER PASS area.

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| 1. FUTZEN - W-593117 Photo X3-21 | Estimated Effort
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| 2. SINGEN - W-823068 Photo of SINGEN. | 3 Gps Med Bombers |

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3. Probable bridge at W-784047 (No photo coverage) Unknown
4. Probable bridge between W-917140 and W-949229 (No photo coverage) Unknown
5. Probable bridge at C-474906 Unknown
6. Probable bridges at either C-362999 or X-372068 Unknown

C. PHASE III

By interdiction of rail lines running into the area RASTATT - ULM - SINGEN, to prevent enemy supplies and reinforcements from moving into the defenses on the East bank of the RHINE between RASTATT and the SWISS border.

1. UNTER REICHENBACK - R-714256 No photo coverage Unknown
2. ERLINGEN - W3-25, WR-882073 No photo coverage Unknown
3. PLOCHINGEN - S-240131 No photo coverage Unknown
4. BLAUBEUREN - X-527803 No photo coverage Unknown
5. WEIL DER STADT - R-841186 Photo V3-29 3 Groups Medium Bombers
6. SIGMARINGEN - X3-23, WX-111438 No photo coverage Unknown
7. RECHTENSTEIN - X-346615 No photo coverage Unknown
8. N. of SIGMARINGEN - W-114462 No photo coverage Unknown

III. SUPPLY and TRANSPORTATION INSTALLATIONS.

A. PHASE I.

By bombardment of key rail centers in the area MANNHEIM - ULM - SINGEN, to further cripple the enemy's rail movement, rolling stock, and repair facilities.

- | | ESTIMATED FORCE |
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| X 1. OFFENBURG - W-1585 | 2 Groups Medium Bombers |
| X 2. FREIBURG - W-0833 | 2 Groups Medium Bombers |
| 3. BRUCHSAL - R-6258 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |
| X 4. SINGEN - W-3207 | 2 Groups Medium Bombers |
| 5. LUDWIGSBURG - S-0633 | 2 Groups Medium Bombers |
| X 6. DONAU ESCHINGEN - W-5728 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |

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| X 7. TUTTLINGEN - W-8031 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |
| 8. HAUSACH - W-3365 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |
| 9. HORB - W-8083 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |
| 10. TUBINGEN - W-9792 | 1 Group Medium Bombers |
| 11. REUTLINGEN - X-0689 | 2 Groups Medium Bombers |

B. PHASE II

By bombardment of enemy barracks and supply dumps in the area MANNHEIM - ULM - SINGEN, to destroy his existing reserve of materials, and to harass service personnel near these areas.

		PHOTO	ESTIMATED FORCE
1. Barracks and supply dump	(WR-447482)	V3-21	2 Groups Medium Bombers
2. FREIBERG supply dump	(W -085350)	X2-30	2 Groups Medium Bombers
3. POPPENWEILER supply dump	(S -114339)	V3-903	1 Group Medium Bombers
4. Supply depot	(WR-335269)	V2-22	1 Group Medium Bombers
5. LUDWIGSBURG supply depot	(S -046343)	V3-900	1 Group Medium Bombers
6. Barracks and stores	(WR-623579 & WR-615578)	V3-23	2 Groups Medium Bombers
7. Barracks and Command Post	(WR-480483)	V3-20	1 Group Medium Bombers
8. WELLIMDORF supply depot	(S -006258)	V3-901	2 Groups Medium Bombers
9. Barracks	(WR-513477)	V3-26	1 Group Medium Bombers
10. Ammo and supply dumps	(B -028943) (B -013936)	Y2-20	2 Groups Medium Bombers

IV. COUNTER AIR FORCE TARGETS

A. By bombing and strafing, to conduct counter air force attacks against enemy airfields in the area MANNHEIM - ULM - SINGEN. Present enemy activity on this front does not warrant any major attacks by medium bombers. Photographs of all airfields are on hand at First Tactical Air Force, and constant photo and Tac/R surveillance is maintained.

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| 1. SACHSENHEIM - R-9539 | ESTIMATED EFFORT
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2. CRAILSHEIM - S-6962	24 Fighter Bomber sorties
3. MALMSHEIM - R-8620	16 Fighter Bomber sorties
4. LAUPHEIM - X-6059	24 Fighter Bomber sorties
5. HALLFINGEN - W-8294	16 Fighter Bomber sorties
6. HUCHENFELD - R-7128	16 Fighter Bomber sorties
7. SCHWABISCH - HALL - S-4959	24 Fighter Bomber sorties
8. GROSSELFINGEN - W-8670	16 Fighter Bomber sorties
9. NELLINGEN - S-1214	24 Fighter Bomber sorties
10. DONAU ESCHINGEN - W-5726	16 Fighter Bomber sorties

V. PRIORITIES

A. Priorities of each system of targets vary constantly and cannot be established.

B. Within each system of targets, priority is arranged by PHASES, and also within each PHASE, targets are listed in order of priority.

C. This headquarters proposes to constantly forward changes in priority and changes of targets, which will vary with the ground and air situation, and enemy dispositions.

D. Highest priority at present is given to SECTION II, A, PHASE I, interdiction of rail traffic on the banks of the RHINE river.

For the Commanding General:

Don E. Newton Jr.
DORR E. NEWTON JR.
Colonel, G. S. C.,
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INDICATES CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY AND REPAIRS IN YARDS AT LUDWIGSHAFEN
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REMARKS:

SAAEF has turned
us down on these
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Doubt if this slight
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FROM TWELFTH TAC ADVANCE

SIGNED BARCUS

SIZE EASY SIX ONE ABLE

REFERENCE OUR EASY DASH FIVE EIGHT DASH ABLE PD SEVENTH ARMY

DESIRES THAT NO RPT NO RAIL OR ROAD BRIDGES BE ATTACKED BY

AIRCRAFT PAREN EXCEPT WHEN ENEMY IS MOVING ACROSS THESE BRIDGES

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RUHR RTPT RUHR CMA BASED UPON THOSE TARGETS SELECTED CMA BOMBER
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ROGER/ABLE/FOX BOMBER COMMAND WILL COORDINATE WITH EIGHTH AIR FORCE
DIRECTLY TO INSURE EFFECTIVE TARGET SUPPORT FROM/EIGHTH AIR FORCE
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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE (MAIN)
AIR STAFF

APD 757, US Army
17 February 1945

SHAEP(M)AIR/S.35102/A-3

SUBJECT: Isolation of the RUHR.

TO : Ninth Air Force (Adv.), Second Tactical Air Force (Main),
First Tactical Air Force (Prov.).

1. The attached appreciation and outline plan for the isolation of the RUHR is designed to disrupt and cripple the communications leading out of and into this vital area. The products of this area are considered to be vital to the German war effort. The plan, as outlined, was agreed upon at the Air Commanders meeting at SHAEP Headquarters on 15 February 1945.

2. a. In the execution of this plan the Ninth Air Force will:-

- (1) Attack the bridges designated for attack by the Tactical Air Force in priority as shown.
- (2) Attack, as alternate targets to the bridges, small railway centers West of the line of bridge interdiction and South of the line LOHNE-HAMM-RUHR AREA.
- (3) Attack stations, open lines, locomotives and other rolling stock in the area mentioned in para. 2.a.(2) above.

b. The Second Tactical Air Force will:-

- (1) Attack small rail centers West of the line of interdiction and North of the RUHR AREA-HAMM-LOHNE line.
- (2) Attack small stations, open lines, locomotives, and other rolling stock in the area mentioned in para. 2.b.(1) above.

3. Apart from the plan for the interdiction of the RUHR, it is desired that First Tactical Air Force (Prov.) attack similar targets to those mentioned in paragraph two above in the area South of the southern portion of the line of interdiction. These attacks should be designed primarily to disrupt communications to and from the SAAR Area.

4. A list of the most important small rail centers in the area to be isolated will be furnished your Headquarters at an early date. A similar

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list of rail centers South of the line of interdiction of primary interest to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov.) is being prepared and will be forwarded as soon as available.

5. The air effort of the Tactical Air Forces required by this plan will be subject to the requirements for air cooperation missions in conjunction with ground operations.

For the Deputy Supreme Commander:

H. B. Thatcher
H. B. THATCHER,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Asst. Chief of Staff, A-3

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The loss of UPPER SILESIA re-emphasises the importance of the RUHR to the whole German war effort. Through this loss, the armament industry, the railways, public utilities (such as gas and electricity works) become almost entirely dependent on coal and steel transported from this vital industrial region, which now constitutes the German life-line. The enemy therefore is in the vulnerable position of having almost his entire industrial output dependent on the smooth working of his communications in a limited area, namely those linking the RUHR with the rest of Germany.

2. The Strategic Bomber Forces are already engaged in attacking these rail and water communications. It has been decided that the Tactical Air Forces will extend the scope of their present attacks against communications East of the RHINE in coordination with the Strategic Bomber Forces. These operations will be subject to the requirements of the ground forces for air cooperation missions.

METHOD OF ISOLATION

3. Previous experience has shown that it is the concentration in time and space of all types of effort (heavy bomber, medium bomber and fighter bomber) on all types of target (large and small centers, bridges, small stations, open lines, moving and stationary trains) which produces a more rapid paralysis of the system than could be achieved by any one method alone.

4. The current operations of the Strategic Air Forces consist of attacks as follows:-

- (a) The attack of key rail centers on the following main routes running East and North East from the RUHR:
 - (i) HAMM - BIELEFELD - MINDEN
 - (ii) SOEST - PADERBORN - HAMELN
 - (iii) SCHWERVE - ARNSBERG - WARBURG
 - (iv) MUNSTER - OSNABRUCK - BREMEN
- (b) The attack of selected key viaducts and bridges on the main routes.
- (c) The attack of the major railway centers within and on the approaches to the RUHR itself.

The targets involved in the above attacks are listed weekly by the Combined Strategic Targets Committee

METHOD OF ISOLATION (Contd.)

5. By increasing the number of bridges for attack, complete interdiction of the RUHR can be obtained and the speed and completeness of the present strategic objective greatly enhanced. The completion and maintenance of this line of interdiction would mean that only an insignificant proportion of bulk economic traffic would move Eastwards out of the RUHR area, while military movements across the interdiction line both from East to West and vice versa would suffer delays.

BRIDGES SELECTED FOR ATTACK

6. The Bridges selected for attack by the Strategic and Tactical Air Forces consist of 16 Targets listed from North to South at Appendix 'A' and shown on the map attached thereto. In addition, 2 Targets of primary importance are included on the highest priority since their destruction would immediately reduce by half the high capacity routes available to the enemy. At Appendix 'B' the selected Bridges are listed in order of priority in relation to traffic capacity and importance. Medium bombers, if unable to attack their primary bridge targets, should attack as targets of opportunity, small railway centers west of the line of interdiction. A list of such railway centers is being prepared.

ROLE OF FIGHTER AND FIGHTER BOMBERS

7. Attacks by Fighter and Fighter Bombers on stations, locomotives, trains, open lines etc., East of the RUHR, should also be carried out. It must be expected that the enemy will concentrate tremendous repair effort on the damaged structures, and therefore "policing" should be carried out by Fighter and Fighter Bombers where possible. It is considered that the repair of damage can be greatly delayed by attacks against repair personnel and material. Attacks of this nature, combined with rail cuts and attack of rolling stock, can make a large contribution towards paralysis of the rail system.

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BRIDGES SELECTED FOR ATTACK LISTED FROM NORTH TO SOUTH

No.	Name	Grid Ref.	Waterway	Number of Tracks	Length	Construction
1.	BREMEN	M-3/706990	Weser R	2	620 ft.	5 steel spans (1 swing)
2.	ARBERGEN	M-3/765929	" "	2	1,850 ft.	3 main steel spans 15 approach spans
3.	NIENBURG	M-3/779535	" "	1	850 ft.	3 main steel spans 5 approach spans
4.	BAD OEYNHAUSEN	P-3/763022	" "	4	620 ft.	3 steel spans
5.	VLOTHO	P-3/791971	" "	2	850 ft.	4 steel spans
6.	HEREFORD	P-3/651901	Werre R	1	100 ft.	
7.	LAGE	P-3/718783	" "	1	170 ft.	
8.	ALTENBEKEN (or NEUENBEKEN)	P-3/822524	Viaduct	2	1,680 ft.	About 25 arches
9.	NIEDER MARSBERG	Q-3/784197	Diemel R	2	155 ft.	
10.	KULTE-WETTERBURG	R-3/929118	Twiste R	1	115 ft.	
11.	BERGHEIM	R-3/776862	Eder R	1	700 ft.	
12.	GOLBE (SARNAU)	R-3/736527	Lahn R	1	281 ft.	3 span steel structure Eng. No. 35
13.	NIEDER SCHEDL (Nr. DILLBURG)	S-2/399359	Dill R	3	196 ft.	1 span steel truss Eng. No. 178
14.	PRACHT (Nr. AU)	R-2/937417	Sieg R	1	436 ft.	6 span, stone arch Eng. No. 75
15.	DOTTESFELD (Nr. SEIFEN)	S-2/862252	Wied R	1	220 ft.	Steel or concrete
16.	NEUWIED (Irlich)	S-2/794147	" "	2	300 ft.	1 steel girder span
17.	BIELEFELD * (SCHILDESCH)	P-3/575847	Johannes R	2 Ea.	1,152 ft.	2 viaducts 26 concrete arches
18.	ARNSBERG *	Q-2/225119	Ruhr R	2	475 ft.	

(*) These two targets, although not part of the line of interdiction, are included on the highest priority (see Appendix 'B') since their destruction would immediately reduce by half the high capacity routes available to the enemy.

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APPENDIX "B"

SELECTED BRIDGES LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY IN RELATION
TO TRAFFIC CAPACITY AND IMPORTANCE.

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PRACHT	T
NIEDER SCHELD	T
LAGE	T
HEREFORD	T
ARBERGEN	S
BREMEN	S
VOLKMARSEN (KULTE-WETTERBURG)	T
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DOTTESFELD	T
NEUWIED	T
BERGHEIM	T
GOLBE	T

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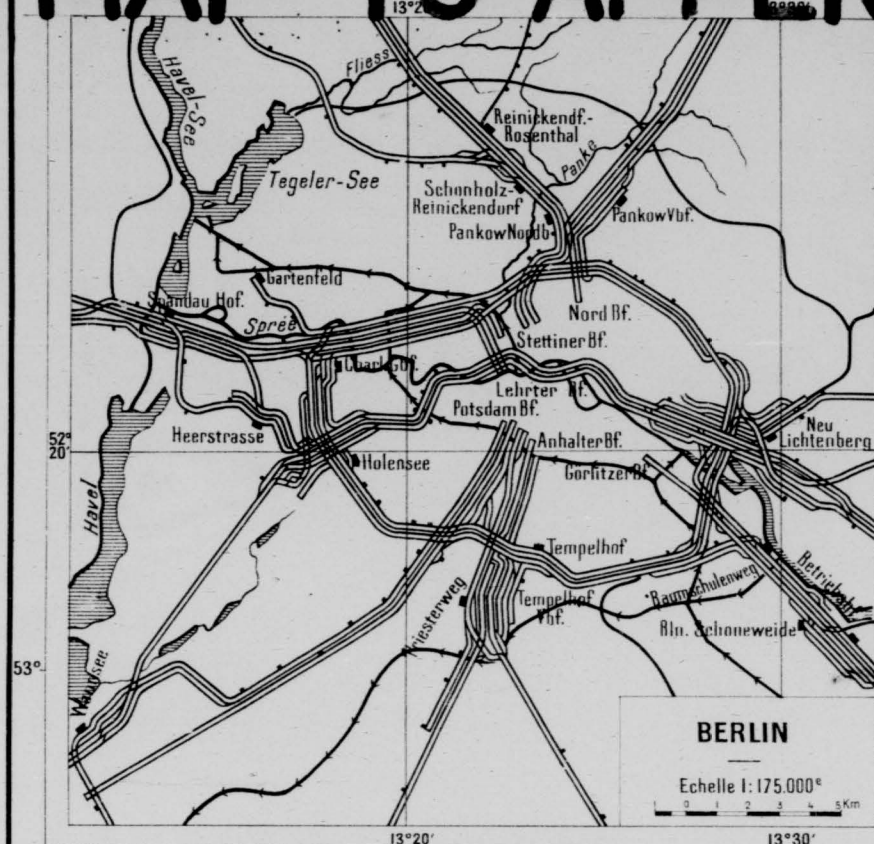
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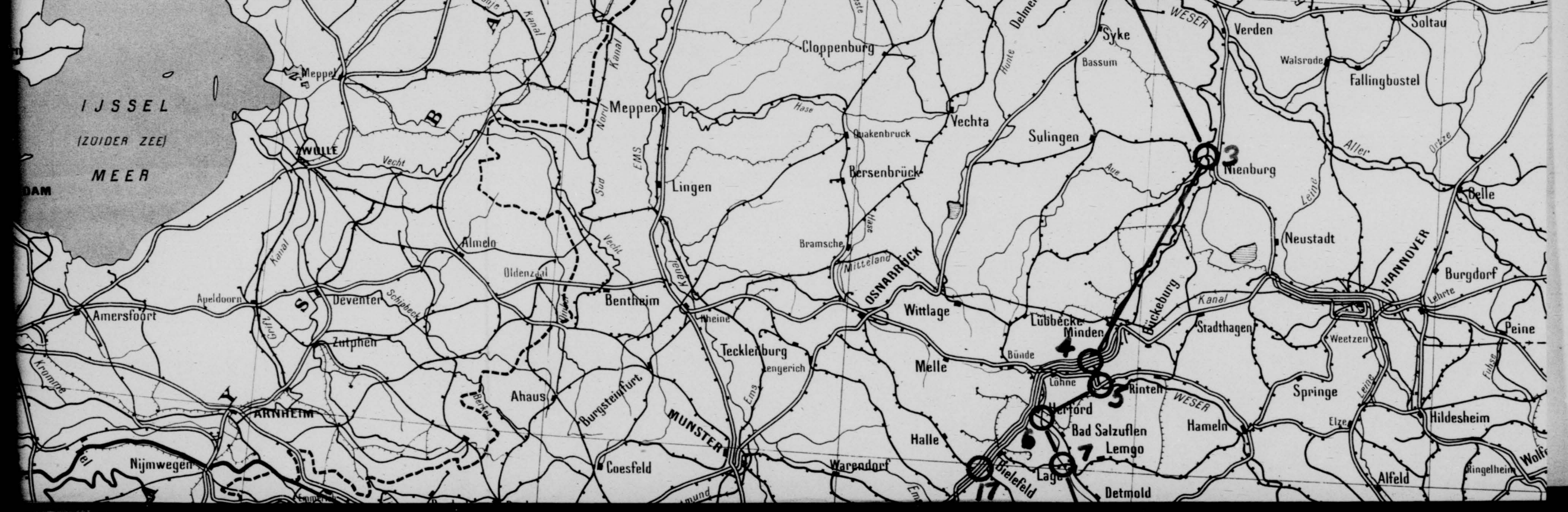
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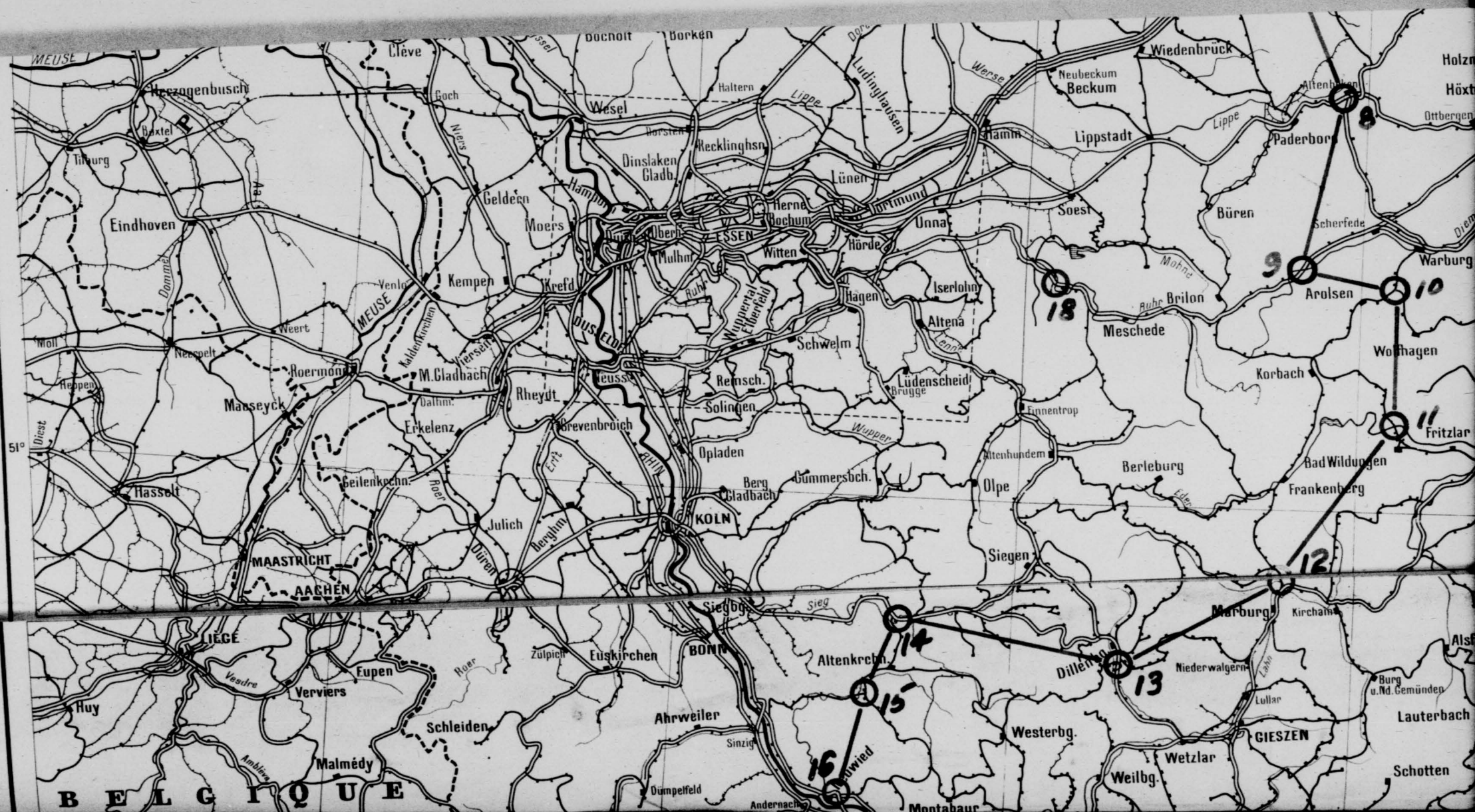
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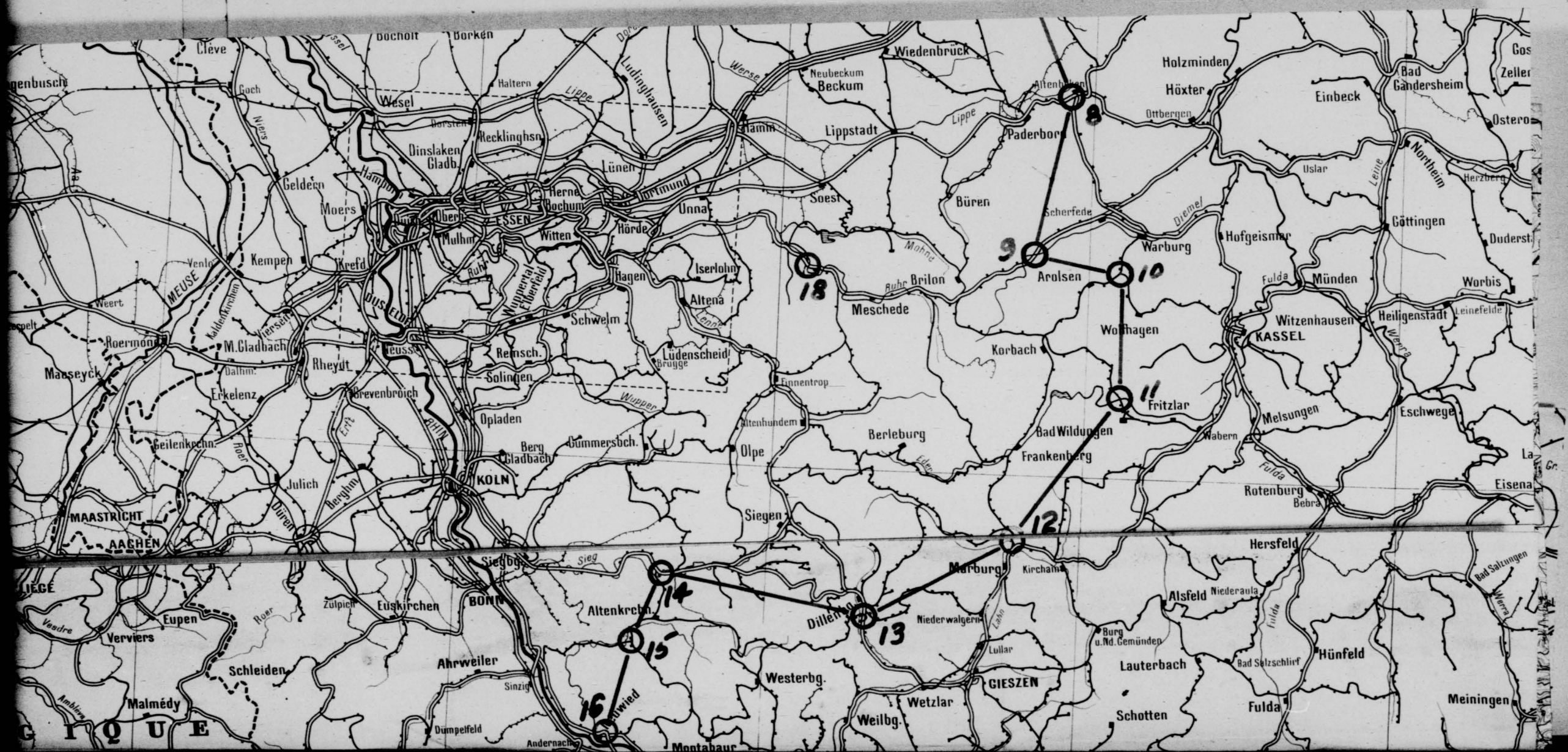
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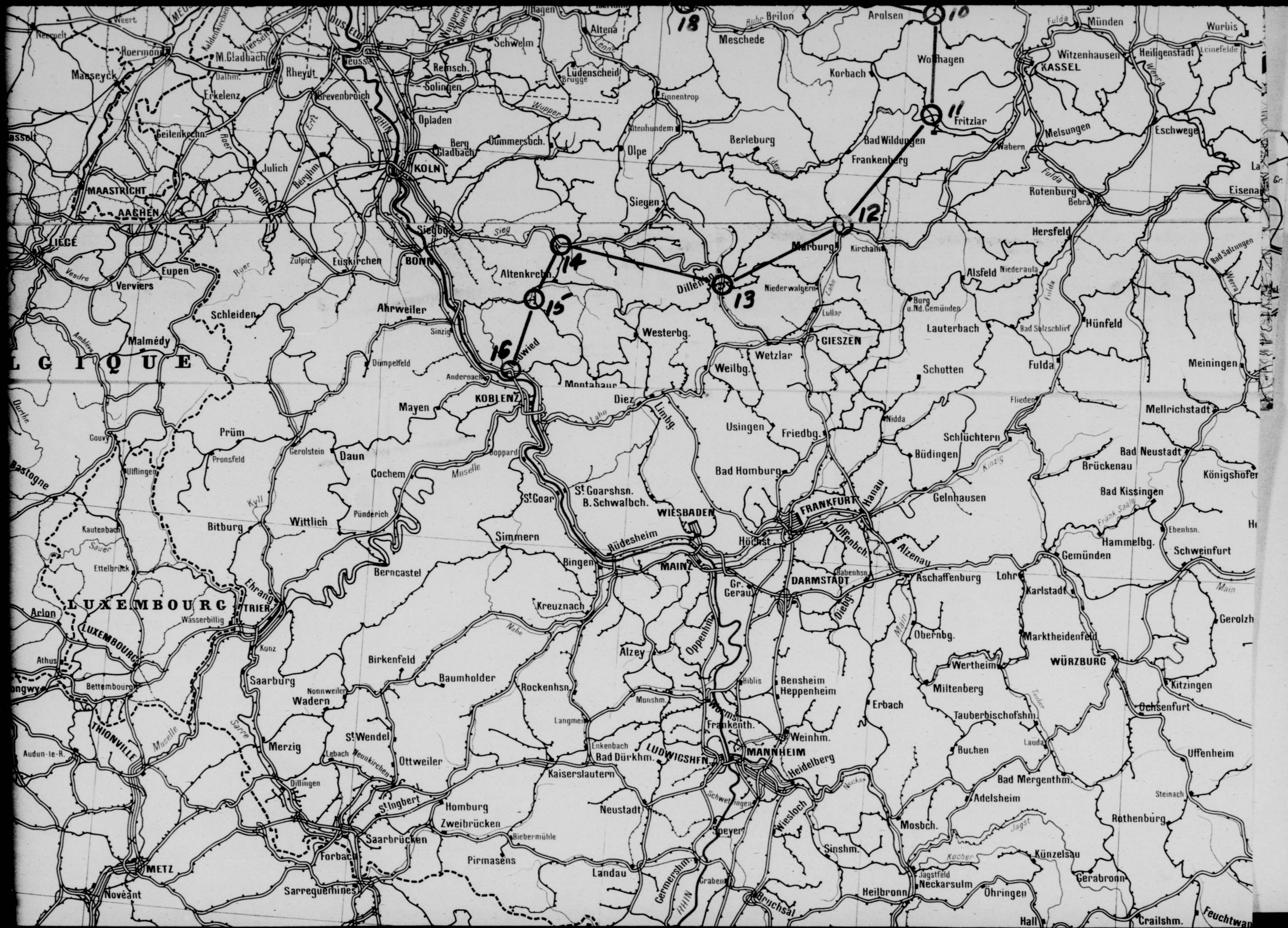


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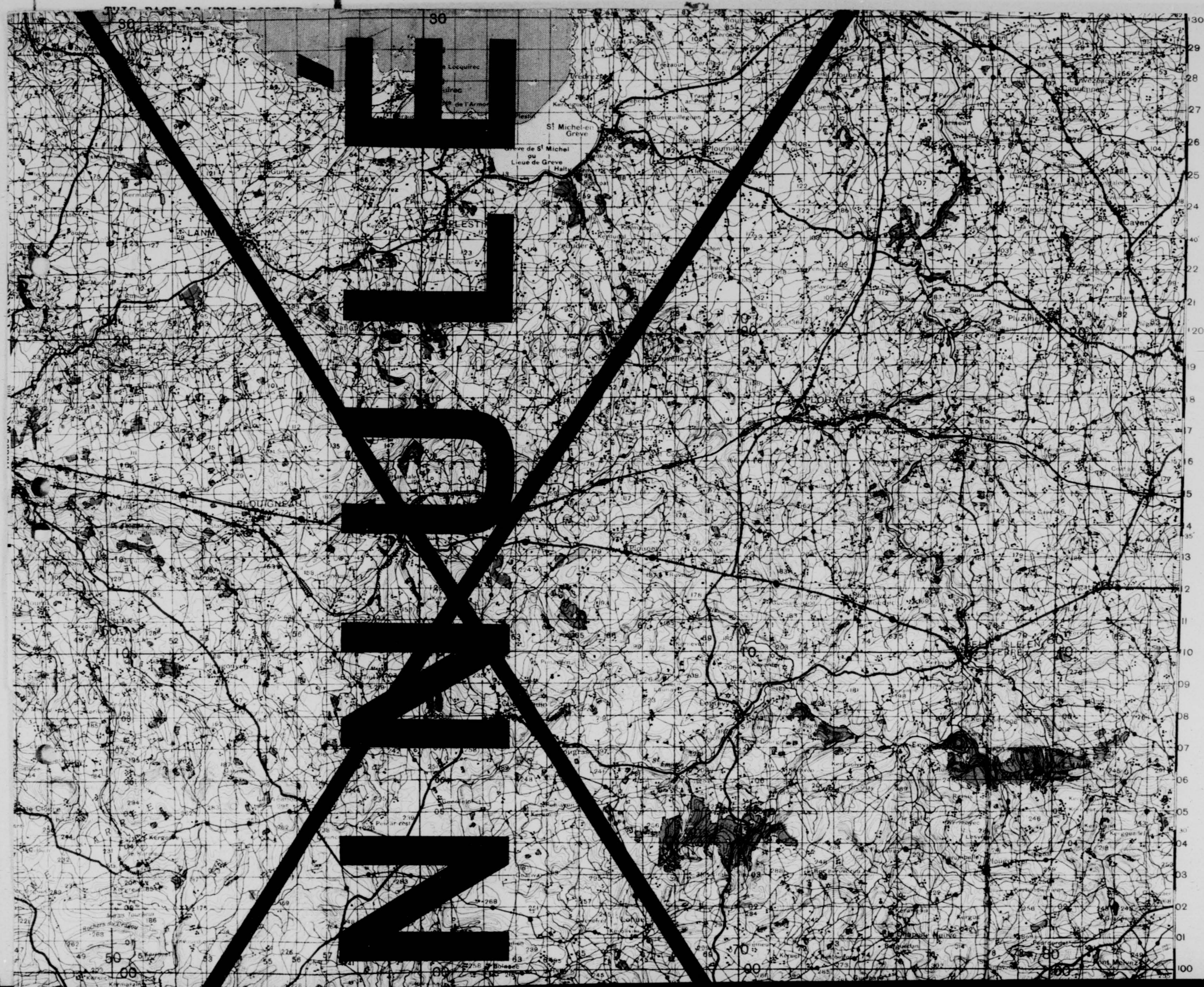
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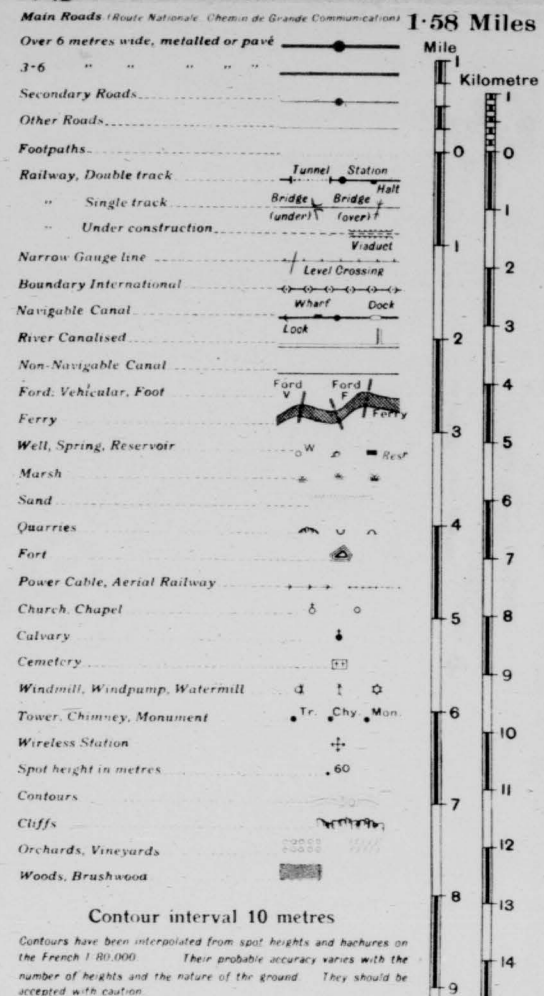


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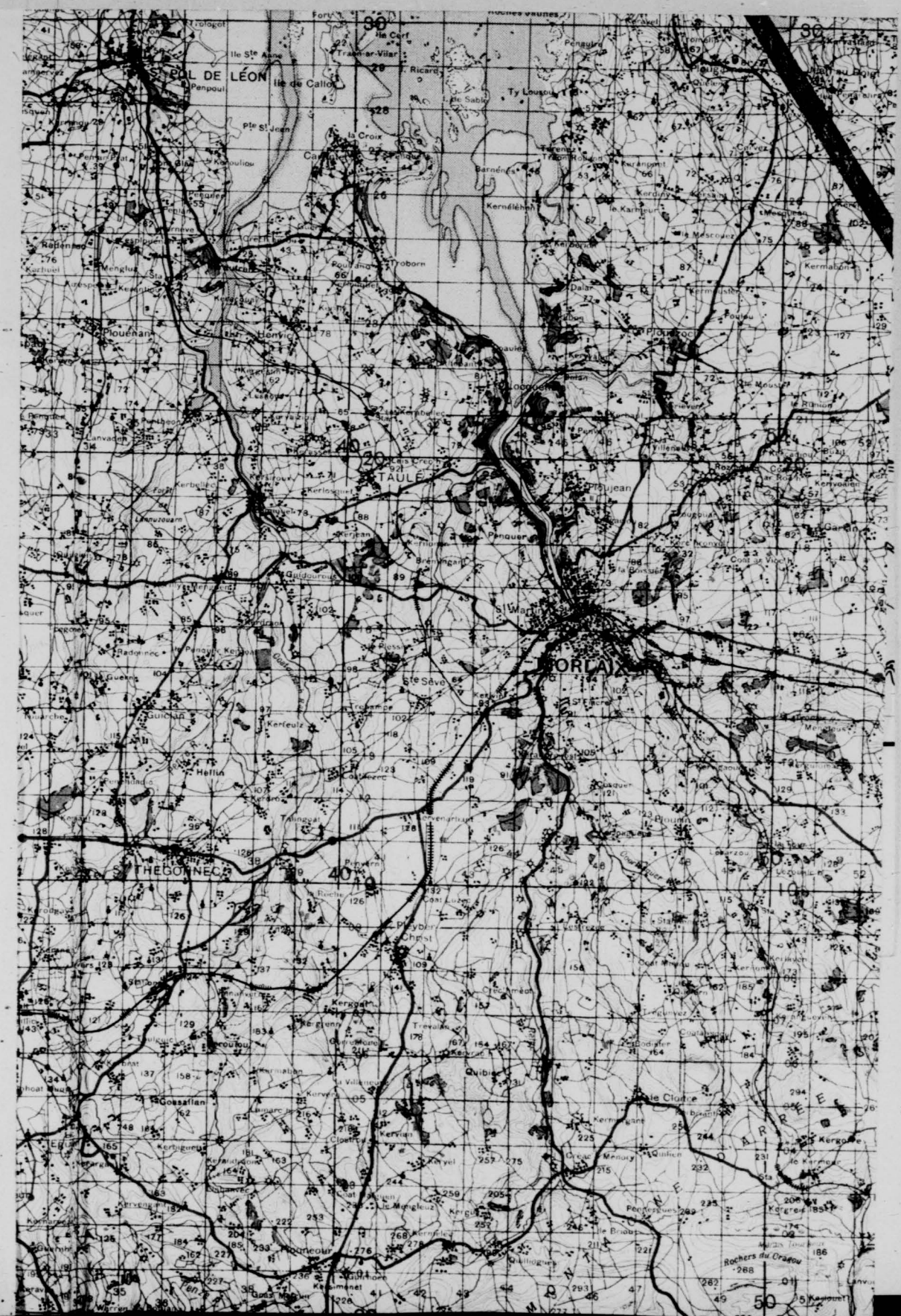
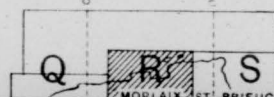
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IN CONJUNCTION WITH AND PROTECTING THE NORTHERN FLANK OF CENTRAL GROUP
OF ARVIES PAREN SEE PARA FIVE BAKER UNPAREN SEVICLN SUBPARA CHARLIE PD
WILL SEIZE ANY OPPORTUNITY OF CAPTURING A BRIDGEHEAD OVER THE RIVER ELBE
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SUBPARA DOG PD THE QUESTION OF OPENING THE PORT TO BREVEN RPT BREVEN
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FROM: AFHQ SIGNED ALEXANDER

TO : 15TH ARMY GROUP FOR ACTION AND TO 6TH ARMY GROUP FOR INFO

REF NO THIS MSG: FX 54883, 04 Mar 45

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1. In your arrangements with 6th Army Group for assistance on FRANCO-ITALIAN Border you should include coordination of support by MATAF and that furnished by 6th Army Group by First Tactical Air Force.

2. To facilitate above coordination MAAF re-authorizing direct communication between MATAF, MACAF and First TACAF with information copies to MAAF.

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4 Apr 1945

From: MAAF

To : FIRST TAC AF

Dated: 041655B

Rec'd 042140B

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TO *58* WEBSTER CVA

MA TAKE AF CVA *12*

MA *CH* SARLIE AF

FROM MAAF SITE MIKE XRAY FIVE XERO FOUR FOUR NINE

DIRECT COMMUNICATION RPT COMMUNICATION HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BETWEEN

~~FIFTEENTH~~ *AF* ARMY GROUP AND ~~SIXTH~~ *AF* SIXTH ARMY GROUP FOR THE PURPOSE

OF COORDINATING *AF* ~~THE~~ COMING OPERATIONS ON THE FRANCO ITALIAN BORDER

DIRECT CONTACT IS AUTHORIZED *9* BETWEEN MATAREAF AND FIRST *AF* TACTICAL

AIR FORCE PAREN PROVISIONALLY *AF* PAREN REGARDING TARGETS AND TARGET

DATES FOR PAIR COOPERATION WITH *AF* ~~PROPOSED~~ *AF* ~~RPT~~ *AF* ~~PROPOSED~~ *AF* OPERATION

BY ALPINE FRONT COMMAND *AF* RE WEBSTERS EASY FOUR TWO *AF* THREE *AF* NINE

DATED TWO APRIL PD PARA DAILY INTENTIONS OF ANY *AF* ATTACKS MADE *AF* BY

YOUR UNIT RPT UNITS IN ITALY SHOULD *AF* BE FORWARDED TO MATAREAF

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INCOMING MESSAGE
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: HQ 15TH ARMY GROUP

TO : 6TH ARMY GROUP: INFO FIFTH ARMY GP: EIGHTH ARMY: SEVENTH
ARMY: AFHQ: SHAEF: MATAF

REF NO THIS MESSAGE: C-5500, 03 May 45

1. Troops commanded by C in C Southwest and C in C
Army Group C in the provinces of VOPARLBERG TYROL and portions
of CARINTHIA and STYRIA and possibly SLAZBERG have surrendered.

2. 15th Army Group forces are immediately proceeding to
ITALIAN Frontier and towards INNSBRUCK.

3. Request no bombing.

Note: Second cipher part to follow.

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ADMIN
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FROM: 15TH ARMY GROUP

TO : 6TH ARMY GROUP, INFO FIFTH ARMY CP, EIGHTH ARMY, SEVENTH
ARMY, AFHQ, SHAPE, MACAF
REF NO THIS MSG: O-5500, 03 May 45

Second, third and final part of O-5500.

South of the following bomblines:

A. Yugoslav-Italian border at HOTEDRISCA DIO north
to junction of Yugoslav-Italian-Austrian border at WURZON
Pass C8070 thence east along Yugoslav-Austrian border to
MITTAGSKOMEL C 9768 thence GERLITZEN ALP C 9488 - MT BOSCH. IT.
ZEN X 8606 - MT HUNTERSGLUT X 5612 - MT SALZKOML X 4406 MT
HOCHKREUZ X 2903 - MT ROTHERKNOPT X 0320 - MT GR GLOCKNER
X 0032 - point 3660 at W 7536 - point 2760 at E 0453 thence
northeast to join 6th Army Group bombline at K 8961.

B. 6th Army Group bombline at V 4946 - point 2914 at
V 3839 - Swiss Frontier at V 2628.

4. Bombline north of these bomblines in the territory
given in para 1 should only take place in the event of an
overt act.

5. Changes to these bomblines will be notified by
Fifth and Eighth Armies in the normal manner to this HQ
who will inform Seventh Army through direct SEMMAC channels.

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Authority of:

: CG, Twelfth Air Force

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Date: 11/2/45

11 February 1945

Movement of XVII T.C and XII AFSC Units
to Southern France

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in JMWG message 14 45733 and JMWG/TO message 5044 470, commanders are directed to prepare such of the following units as are under their command for immediate movement from present station to Leghorn, Italy, for water shipment to Southern France on or about 12 February 1945. Units will be called forward to staging area and/or craft by officers mentioned in paragraph 2, below, at times agreed upon by Commanding General, Amphibious Base Section.

27th Fighter Group, S.S.

86th Fighter Group, S.S.

319th Air Service Group, HQ & HQ Squadron

57th Air Service Squadron

321st Air Service Squadron

1125th Quartermaster Company, Service Group, AVN

1016th Signal Company, Service Group

1950th Quartermaster Truck Company, Aviation

1574th Quartermaster Truck Company, Aviation

1050th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Company, Aviation

1650th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Company, Aviation

2. An officer, fully qualified to assist in prestorage, will be sent by each unit, to report to Joint Air Liaison Officer at Be. North (M.A. or C.A. or S.A.). Officer will have the following information available:

4. Number of personnel.

b. Weight and cube of unladen baggage and equipment.

c. List of vehicles (including dimensions of any vehicle not a standard, general purpose type).

d. Passenger list (as prescribed by Commanding General, rco).

3. Units will move with full I/E and O&M allowances on equipment, plus authorized permanent excesses and Project A-1-44 equipment presently held

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11 February 1945

TO: *15 12 45*
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Movement of XIII TAC and All AFSC Units
to Southern France

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in AAF message 11 45739 and AFPOC/AFSC message 30 11 470, commanders are directed to prepare such of the following units as are under their command for immediate movement from present station to Leghorn, Italy, for water shipment to Southern France on or about 12 February 1945. Units will be called forward to staging area and/or craft by officers mentioned in paragraph 2, below, at times agreed upon by Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section.

27th Fighter Group, S.C.

86th Fighter Group, S.C.

319th Air Service Group, Hq & Hq Squadron

57th Air Service Squadron

321st Air Service Squadron

1125th Quartermaster Company, Service Group, AV

1016th Signal Company, Service Group

1956th Quartermaster Truck Company, Aviation

1974th Quartermaster Truck Company, Aviation

1056th Ordnance Supply & Maintenance Company, Aviation

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2. An officer, fully qualified to assist in prestowage, will be sent by each unit, to report to Fort. Air Liaison Officer at Leghorn (Major *Cheney*). Officer will have the following information available:

- Number of personnel.
- Weight and cube of unladen baggage and equipment.
- List of vehicles (including dimensions of any vehicle not a standard, general purpose type).
- Passenger list (as prescribed by Commanding General, TPO).

3. Units will move with full T/L and O&M allowances of equipment plus authorized permanent excesses and Project Air-1-44 equipment presently held by them on permanent shipping ticket. Temporary shipping ticket and memorandum receipt holdings will be turned in prior to departure.

4. a. The following items of equipment will be taken providing the unit already holds the equipment, but this will not be construed as an authority to requisition the equipment prior to movement:

- Tentage.
- Cots.
- Stoves (including noncatalytic).

b. All winterization items such as wing covers, propeller covers, heaters for aircraft will be taken.

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c. No local purchase, requisitioned, salvaged or captured enemy vehicles or equipment will be taken.

d. Normal levels of aircraft spares indicated below will be taken:

- (1) Service Squadrons - 30 day.
- (2) Combat Squadrons - 10 day.
- (3) Crew Chief Kit - 3 day.

e. Where applicable and available, the following level of supplies will be taken:

- (1) All except Quartermaster - 30 day.
- (2) Quartermaster Class I (Rations) - 10 day (Type 'E').
- (3) Quartermaster Class II & IV - 15 day.

5. Equipment will be marked "in the clear" and shipping numbers will not apply.

6. Transportation requirements, in excess of organic vehicles, for movement to port of embarkation will be requested from nearest Service Group who will make demand to Commanding General, XII Air Force Service Command.

7. Vehicles will not be waterproofed.

8. This is a permanent change of station. Unit commanders will report to the Commanding General, ETOUSA, arrival at destination.

By command of Major General CANNON:

CHARLES T. MYERS,
Brigadier General, USA,
Chief of Staff.

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TO : 1ST TAC AF (PROV)
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FROM: EAKER

CITE MIKE XRAY FOUR FIVE NINE EIGHT ONE

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UNITS: 27 FIGHTER BOMBER GROUP 86 FIGHTER BOMBER GROUP AND 319

SERVICE GROUP COMPLETE. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 6 LST PER DAY WILL LIFT

EXCLUSIVELY AIR FORCE PERSONNEL UNTIL ABOVE UNITS ARE COMPLETELY

MOVED. ESTIMATED TIME OF DEPARTURE 15 FEBRUARY FOR FIRST LIFT.

REQUEST YOU ARRANGE IMMEDIATELY WITH DELTA BASE SECTION FOR RECEPTION

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FROM: 12TH AIR FORCE REAR

TO : 1ST TAC AF PROV

TO: CG FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
CG AAF MTO FOR INFO

FROM: TWELFTH AIR FORCE REAR
SIGNED CANNON

CITE TWACT F 323

URAD BAKER 715 FEBRUARY 11. GROUPS ARE NOW LOCATED IN VICINITY OF PISA AND IT IS EXPECTED AT THIS TIME THAT AIR ECHELON CAN DEPART ON DATES AFTER FEBRUARY 21. AIR ECHELON OF EACH GROUP WILL CONSIST OF APPROXIMATELY 90 P-47 AIRPLANES AND APPROXIMATELY 40 C-47 AIRPLANES. EXPECT WATER ECHELONS OF 27 GROUPS TO DEPART PORT OF LEGHORN ON OR ABOUT 14 FEBRUARY. RECONNAISSANCE PARTY CONSISTING OF MEMBERS OF EACH FIGHTER GROUP PLUS MEMBERS OF SERVICE GROUP WILL VISIT DESTINATIONS AND CONTACT YOUR HEADQUARTERS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. SUGGEST YOU COORDINATE DISPATCH AND ROUTING OF AIR ECHELONS WITH THIS PARTY. REQUEST THAT DISPATCH AND ROUTING INSTRUCTIONS BE FURNISHED AT LEAST 3 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF DESIRED DATE FOR START OF AIR MOVEMENTS AND CONTAIN QUANTITIES OF AIRCRAFT DESIRED DAILY AND SPECIFY INTERMEDIATE STOPS ASSUMING APPROVAL BY HIGHTER AUTHORITY IN THIS THEATER WE SHALL DISPATCH AIR ECHELONS OF THE 27 AND 86 FIGHTER GROUPS UPON THE DATES AND OVER ROUTES TO BE SPECIFIED BY YOU.

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CITE MIKE EXRAY FOUR FIVE NINE NINE THREE

DASH GOLDFLAME LOOK AT AFHQ MESSAGE FOX XRAY TWO THREE EIGHT NINE XERO OF NINE FEBRUARY
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BAKER ONE TWO ZERO ZERO CMA CHARLIE ONE FIVE NINE CMA DOG ONE FIVE ZERO SMCLN ABLE
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TWO TWO SIX CMA DOG ONE TWO TWO PD REQUEST ASSIGNMENT OF PRIORITY SERIAL NUMBERS ON
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SHARP MESSAGE SUGAR DASH SEVEN EIGHT THREE FOUR ZERO OF EIGHT FEBRUARY CURRENT STATED
THESE UNITS TO BE PASSED IN DURING PROGRAM PD THE FOUR FOUR SIX SIGNAL HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
BATTALION AND THE EIGHT THREE SEVEN ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALION WILL NOT MOVE UNTIL
AFTER ONE APRIL CURRENT PD NEW SUBJECT PD THE FOUR ONE NINE QUARTERMASTER PLATOON
MENTIONED IN MIKE XRAY FOUR FIVE NINE ZERO FIVE OF ONE ONE FEBRUARY CURRENT IS NOW
LOADED ON VESSEL DESTINED FOR NAPLES AND WILL BE TRANSHIPPED TO SOUTHERN FRANCE FROM
THERE PD THIS UNIT SHOULD BE ASSIGNED SERIAL NUMBER ON PRIORITY LIST NUMBER ONE PD
REQUEST YOU ASSIGN PRIORITY SERIAL NUMBER ON LIST NUMBER TWO FOR THE HEADQUARTERS AND
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INCOMING MESSAGE

1st TAC AF PROV

From: MATAF

To : 1ST TAC AF PROV
FOR INFORMATION

TIME OF ORIGIN
Dated: FEB 131730A
MESSAGE CENTER
Rec'd: FEB 140206A

Ref No. TWACT D 5170

Precedence ROUTINE

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TO: 51 TROOP CARRIER WING

222 ADV,

FIRST TACTICAL AIR COMMAND PROV,

NINTH AIR FORCE PLEASE PASS,

MAAF

FROM: MATAF TWACT D 5170

TOP SECRET

DISPATCH 6 C-47 AIRCRAFT AS FOLLOWS TO LIFT ADVANCE ECHELONS OF
27 FIGHTER GROUP, 86 FIGHTER GROUP, AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS FROM
ITALY TO FRANCE: TWO AIRCRAFT REPORT TO BASE OPERATIONS PONTEDERA
AIRFIELD AND 3 AIRCRAFT REPORT TO BASE OPERATIONS PISA AIRFIELD 0800
HOURS 15 FEBRUARY TO PICK UP PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AND THEN PROCEED
TO AIRSTRIP A-64 IN FRANCE. MISSION NUMBER IS TWO FOUR XERO M. ONE
AIRCRAFT REPORT TO BASE OPERATIONS PISA AIRFIELD 0800 HOURS ONE FIVE
FEBRUARY TO PICK UP PERSONNEL AND PROCEED TO AIRSTRIP Y-31 FRANCE
WHICH IS LANDING STRIP FOR FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS.
MISSION NUMBER FOR THIS FLIGHT IS 241M.

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CB 0725

MSG/CENTER NO 65/15

FROM: NATAF

141720A Feb

REF: TWACT D5195

TO: 1ST TACAF PROV

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE PROV

RPTD MAAF

RPTD FIVE ONE TROOP CARRIER WING

RPTD XXII TAC ADV

FROM NATAF

CITE TWACT DOG FIVE ONE NINE FIVE TOP SECRET RPT TOP SECRET TROOP CARRIER AIRCRAFT
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BE BRIEFED TO MAKE NON STOP FLIGHTS TO THE DESTINATION AIRFIELDS PD THE EIGHT EXRO
AIRCRAFT REQUIRED FOR THE LIFT WILL BE DISPATCHED AT RATE OF FOUR XERO AIRCRAFT DAILY PD
DUE CHANGEABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY PREVENT AIRCRAFT FROM
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A LIMITED NUMBER OF A AIRCRAFT THAT MAY BE FORCED TO LAND AT THOSE AIRFIELD PD REQUEST
YOU CONFIRM THAT THE TROOP CARRIER AIRCRAFT CAN BE SERVICED AND THE CREWS ACCOMMODATED
AT THE DESTINATION AIRFIELDS PD URGENTLY REQUEST INFORMATION CONCERNING CONTROL AND
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GIVING AIRFIELD SELECTION FOR EACH OF THE FIGHTER GROUPS PD THIS INFORMATION REQUIRED
FOR BRIEFING RPT BRIEFING OF BOTH FIGHTER AND TROOP CARRIER CREWS PD

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INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: AAFSCMTC

FEB 141841A
Time of Origin

Ref SCMT 1079

TO: 1ST TAC AF PROV

FEB 170525A
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TO FIRST TACAF ACTION,

AAF MTC,

XII AF,

DELTA BASE SECTION

CITE SCMT 1079

FROM CG AAFSCMTC

GOLDFLAKE PD

FURTHER OUR MESSAGE 45981 DATED 12 FEBRUARY AND REPLYING TO YOUR F-817

AND F-581 PD DEFINITE INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW WHEN ACTUAL LOADING

COMPLETED PD ESTIMATED FOR PLANNING RECEPTION AND ONWARD TRANSPORTATION

ARE 120 OFFICERS, 2188 ENLISTED MEN, 450 TONS UNLOADED EQUIPMENT MOVING

BY WATER PD 620 VEHICLES INCLUDING TRAILERS FULLY LOADED PD ABOVE

ROVERS 27 FIGHTER GROUP, 86 FIGHTER GROUP, AND 319 SERVICE GROUP COMPLETE

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From: AAFSCVTO

FEB 141841A

Ref: SCMT 1079

To: 1ST TAG AF PROV

Time OF Origin

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CITE 9390 RPT SCVT ONE XERO SEVEN NINE

EROV CG AAFSCVTO

GOLDFLAKE PD

FURTHER OUR MESSAGE FOUR FIVE NINE ^EIGHT ONE DATED ONE TWO FEBRUARY AND

REPLYING TO YOUR FOX DASH EIGHT ONE SEV^EN AND FOX DASH FIVE EIGHT ONE

PD DEFINITE INFORMATION WILL FOLLOW WHEN ACTUAL LOADING COMPLETED PD

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: AIR STAFF SHAEF

151440A FEB.

Ref: A 234

To: 1ST TAC AF (PROV)

Time OF Origin

151620A FEB.

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FROM AIR STAFF SHAEF

TO FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE PROV

ABLE TWO THREE FOUR ONE FIVE FEBRUARY TOP SECRET

THE FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM MAFF PI QUOTE PD SIX CHAR FIE DASH FOUR SEVEN

AIRCRAFT WILL ARRIVE IN YOUR THEATER ON ONE FIVE FEBRUARY CMA WEATHER

PERMITTING CMA CARRYING ADVANCED ECHELONS OF TWENTY SEVENTH AND

EIGHTY SIXTH FIGHTER GROUP PI FIVE WILL LAND AT ABLE DASH SIX FOUR AND ONE

AT YOKEDASH THREE ONE PD UNQUOTE PD

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REC/CENTER NO 65/15

FROM: NATAF

111720A Feb

REF: TRACT D5195

TO: 1ST TACAF PROV

TIME OF ORIGIN

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RPTD FIVE ONE TROOP CARRIER WING

RPTD XAII TAC ADV

FROM NATAF

D-5195

CITE TRACT D00 FIVE ONE NINE FIVE TOP SECRET RPT TOP SECRET TROOP CARRIER AIRCRAFT

TRANSPORTING AIR CRAFTS OF TWO SEVEN AND EIGHT SIX FIGHTER GROUPS TO FRANCE WILL

BE BRIEFED TO MAKE NON STOP FLIGHTS TO THE DESTINATION AIRFIELD PD THE EIGHT ZERO

AIRCRAFT REQUIRED FOR THE LIFT WILL BE DISPATCHED AT RATE OF FOUR ZERO AIRCRAFT DAILY PD

DUE CHANGABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS AND OTHER FACTORS WHICH MAY PREVENT AIRCRAFT FROM

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A LIMITED NUMBER OF A AIRCRAFT THAT MAY BE FORCED TO LAND AT THOSE AIRFIELD PD REQUEST

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INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: CHILULAW
22nd TAC AIR CMD REAR

Feb 161830A
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Ref: F 142 F

TO : 1ST TAC AF (PROV)

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MOVEMENT OF 27 AND 86 FIGHTER GROUPS BY ECHELONS. GOLDFLAKE.

WATER ECHELONS OF 27 AND 86 FIGHTER GROUPS DEPARTED LEGHORN, ITALY 15 FEBRUARY 1945,

AS FOLLOWS:

LST No.	UNIT	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	TONS EQUIPMENT
211	Hq, 27 Fighter Group	72	30	30
	524 Fighter Squadron, 27 Gp	213	29	40
602	524 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	34	27	15
	522 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	121	31	15
	Hq, 86 Fighter Gp	8	6	15
	523 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	2	3	15
263	522 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	22	19	
	523 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	138	57	60
	524 Fighter Squadron, 27 Ftr Gp	4		
526	86 Fighter Group Headquarters	46	28	30
	525 Fighter Squadron, 86 Ftr Gp	124	49	30
177	525 Fighter Squadron, 86 Ftr Gp	24	13	
	526 Fighter Squadron, 86 Ftr Gp	139	50	60
	527 Fighter Squadron, 86 Ftr Gp		11	
	86 Fighter Group Headquarters	3	5	
907	527 Fighter squadron, 86 Ftr Gp	165	58	60

RECONNAISSANCE PARTY 27 FIGHTER GROUP (*2 Groups missing*)

C-47 AIRCRAFT DEPARTED FROM PONTEDELA AIRFIELD 15 FEBRUARY 1945,

3 Officers
3 Enlisted Men
2 Jeeps and equipment

RECONNAISSANCE PARTY 86 FIGHTER GROUP DEPARTED FROM PISA AIRFIELD 15 FEBRUARY 1945,

3 Officers
3 Enlisted Men
2 Jeeps and equipment

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TO TWELFTH AIR FORCE REAR FOR SELVES

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FROM CHIULAW XXII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND REAR

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REENCODED AND PASSED BY ONE TWO AIR FORCE CRYPTO

MOVEMENT BY ^ECEHHVNS OF TWO SEVEN AND EIGHT ^TSIX FIGHTER GROUPS IS

SUBJECT PD QUOTE TOP SECRET HYPHEN GOLDFLAKE UNQUOTE ^EWATER ^EEXCELONS OF

TWO SEVEN AND EIGHT ^ESIX FIGHTER GROUPS DEPARTED LEGHORN CVA ITALY

ONNXXRPT ONE FIVE FEBRUARY ONE NINE FOUR FIVE ^EAS FOLLOWS COLON LOVE

SUGAR TARE TWO ONE ONE CVA HEAD ^UARTERS TWO SEVEN FIGHTER GROUP ^MCBA

SEVEN TWO PERSONNEL CVA THREE ZERO VEHICLES CVA ^TTHREE ZERO ~~ONNXXRPT~~ TONS

EQUIPMENT ^{ME}SVCLN FIVE TWO FOUR FIGHTER SQUADRON ~~ON XXRPY~~ ^BPF TWO SEVEN

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EIGHT SIX FIGHTER GROUP CVA FIGHT PERSONNEL SIX VEHICLES CVA ONE FIVE
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FIGHTER GROUP CVA TWO PERSONNEL CVA THREE VEHICLES CVA ONE FIVE TONS RPT
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PONTEDHA AIRFIELD ONE FIVE FEBRUARY ONE NINE FOUR FIVE CVA TWO JEEPS
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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION SLIP

DATE 7/7/1948

FROM: St. Paul

TO : H. H.

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From: USSTAF

171723A FEB.

Ref: UA 64384

To: 1ST TAC AF (PROV)

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TO SAVILLE

SGD SPAAT^z

UNCLE ABLE SIX FOUR THREE EIGHT FOUR

*[Refers to 27th + 86th
Fighter Groups ("GOLD FLAKE"
Movement)]*

NOTIFICATION TO THIS HEADQUARTER^s REQUESTED IMMEDIATELY

THE TWO FIGHTER GROUPS RECEIVED FROM MTO RPT MTO IN ORDER THAT BASIS

OF YOUR AIRCRAFT ALLOCATION MAY BE INCREASED BY BADA RPT BADA

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INCOMING MESSAGE

M-C No. 45/17

From: 12TH AIR FORCE

161520B

Date Time Group

Ref No. MX 51390

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FROM CANNON

CITE MIKE XRAY FIVE ONE THREE^E NINE XERO

DEPARTED TARANTOTA¹ ONE SEVEN⁷ XRAY³ PTL SEVEN THREE XERO HOURS ONE FIVE

APRIL CURRENT WAS LOVE SLASH DASH GOLDFLAKE³ FLASH³ JUGAR TARE THREE

FIVE EIGHT CARRYING SEVEN OFFICERS ONE FIVE FOUR ENLISTED MEN^N AND

SIX⁹ SEVEN VEHICLES SMCLN ALSO VESSEL THRUSTER CARRYING NINE

OFFICERS ONE^E EIGHT FOUR ENLISTED MEN AND PD SIX SIX VEHICLES CMA ALL

PERSONNEL OF THE EIGHT THREE SEVEN AVIATION ENGINEER^N BATTALION PD

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ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL MARSEILLES IS ON^E EIGHT APRIL

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From: 12TH ~~XXX~~ AIR FORCE
To: FIRST TACAF PROV
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Ref.Nr MX 51885
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TO CG USSTAF FORACTION

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PASSED FROM CANNON

MIKE XRAY FIVE ONE EIGHT EIGHT FIVE

DASH GOLDFLAKE CLN DEPARTING DABA RPT GABA FOR MARSEILLES

ONE EIGHT THREE FIVE HOURSXX RPT HOURS TWO ONE APRIL CURRENT SLICE

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ONE VEHICLES PD REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR THEIR ~~RECEPTION~~ RPT
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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCES ENGINEER COMMAND
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS (PROV)
APO 528

:Auth: CG, AAFEC:
:MTO (P) *Ed L*:
:Date: *29 Mar 45*:
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29 March 1945.

MOVEMENT ORDERS)

NUMBER 5)

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I. General.

1. PAC radio MX 49522 dated 24 March 1945 from CG, AAF, MTO to CO, AAFEC, MTO, the 837th Engineer Aviation Battalion is alerted to move by ground and water from its present station through the port of Taranto, Italy to Marseille, France.

2. The water movement will be made by LST. The unit will be ready to embark on 24 hours notice at any time after 1 April 1945.

3. Movement instructions will be issued to the unit by the Movement and Transportation Section, AAFSC, MTO.

4. This is a permanent change of station.

II. Preparation for Overseas Movement.

1. Organizational equipment and supplies.

a. The unit will take complete T/O & E equipment as well as tents, blankets, cots, winter clothing and winterizing materials now in its possession. All equipment taken by the unit in excess of T/O & E will be reported to this Headquarters immediately.

b. No locally requisitioned, purchased, salvaged or captured enemy equipment will be taken from this theater.

c. In order to conserve shipping space the unit will take no non-essential equipment or supplies.

d. Kitchen equipment will be loaded on trucks in such a manner as to be easily accessible at all times.

e. Repair trucks will be so laden as to permit easy access to tools and equipment required in emergencies.

f. Maintenance supplies.

(1) Quartermaster

(a) Each individual will have in his possession

1 "D" ration (3 bars)

1 "K" ration "B", "D" & "S" units

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(Movement Orders 5, 29 Mar 45, contd)

- (b) The unit will take, in accessible loads, 15 days balanced "B" rations for all personnel.
- (c) All available water cans will be filled.

2. Individual clothing and equipment.

Personnel of the unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment 21 dated 1 June 1944. Personal CWS equipment will be carried by the individual.

3. Baggage allowances.

- a. Officers - 1 trunk locker
1 bedding roll
1 piece of hand baggage
- b. Enlisted men - 2 barracks bags
- c. All personal baggage will be plainly marked with the individual's name, serial number and organization.

4. Packing and crating.

- a. All unladen equipment and supplies will be securely packed in strong crates.
- b. An effort will be made to keep the weight of individual packages below 150 pounds to facilitate handling.

5. Marking of boxes, crates, vehicles, etc.

Each box, crate, vehicle, etc. will be plainly marked, in the clear, with the unit designation. (Note: A uniform system of identification must be used throughout the organization. At the discretion of the unit commander, this may be in the clear or in the unit code but there can be no combination of the two. For this move marking in the clear is preferred unless the unit has already marked all equipment in code).

6. Vehicles.

- a. Vehicles may be loaded with organizational equipment within the limits of height and weight imposed by the height of the vehicle cab and the rated capacity of the vehicle in tons.
- b. Drivers will accompany all vehicles.
- c. When vehicles are loaded on IST's each gasoline tank will be as near full as practicable.
- d. Each vehicle will have as part of its cargo 1 can of drinking water, 1 change of motor oil and, within the limits of practicability, 2 days supply of gasoline.

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(Movement Orders 5, 29 Mar 45, contd)

7. Change of money.

The unit commander or an officer designated by him will collect and exchange the funds of all personnel upon arrival in France.

8. Final movement instructions.

a. The unit will be called to the staging area by the Movements and Transportation Section, AAFSC, MTO.

b. Documentation. The unit commander will prepare any detailed passenger and vehicle lists which may be required by the port authorities.

c. The unit will appoint a Transportation Quartermaster (TQM) who will be prepared to furnish on call the following prestowage data:

- (1) Complete list of all vehicles showing type of each vehicle or trailer, its WD registration number and its dimensions.
- (2) Weight and cubage of all unladen equipment and supplies.
- (3) Actual strength of the unit in officers and enlisted men.

III. Destination and Reception.

The intermediate destination of the unit and the port of acceptance is Marseille, France. Delta Base Section is responsible for the reception and staging of Air Force troops in Marseille following debarkation. Upon arrival at Marseille the unit commander will contact the Liaison Officer of the 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov) at Delta Base Section for further orders and transportation to final destination.

By order of Colonel WURSTEDT:

WILLIAM A. CONWELL,
Colonel, CE,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

E. A. Barnes
E. A. BARNES,
Lt Colonel, AGD.
Adjutant General.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

16 December 1944

Vol 1 No 1

I OFFICIAL ITEMS

Items appearing in this Bulletin which are marked OFFICIAL and authenticated by the initials of the Adjutant General or Assistant Adjutant General are for the guidance and compliance of all concerned. (Official TJB)

II UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Effective this date, officers will wear the following uniform in the officers' Mess on Saturdays from 1730 to 2400 hrs:

Officer's Coat, Service, Tailored, or Jacket, wool (D or dark shade (officer's style) with appropriate trousers (or skirt) shirt, necktie and shoes (not combat or paratroop). (Official TJB)

III PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Until further notice, all outgoing correspondence will be prepared for the signature of

THOMAS G. BRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adjutant General.

(Official TJB)

IV HEADQUARTERS DRAFTING-ROOM

A central Drafting-Room for this headquarters is operated under the supervision of the Statistical Control Section. All draftsmen now assigned to duty with other sections (except Operations Sections) will be made available for duty in the Drafting-Room, and all drafting equipment now in use by other sections will be listed and made available to the Statistical Control Section.

Drafting work from all sections (except Ops Sections) will be requested through Statistical Control Section, Room 202. (Official TJB)

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Historical Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

16 December 1944

Vol 1 No 2

I EDITOR'S NOTE

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II POST EXCHANGE

The 1st TACAF Post Exchange, 56 rue De Verdun, will be open at the following hours:

Enlisted personnel:

WEEKDAYS: - 0830 - 1100
1300 - 2000

WEEKDAYS:

SATURDAYS: - 1300 - 2000

Officers:

WEEKDAYS: - 1100 - 1200

WEEKDAYS:

SATURDAYS: - 1300 - 2000 (Official - TJK)

III PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Until further notice, all outgoing correspondence will be prepared for the signature of

THOMAS E. KROMBERG

Major, Air Corps,

Asst Adjutant General.

(Official - TJB)

IV COUNTERFEIT BILLS

Counterfeit bills in 500 and 100 franc denominations are now in circulation. All personnel of this headquarters will, therefore, turn in immediately to the Finance Office all supplemental bills (Invasion currency bills) in the above denominations, or conversion to Bank of France currency. (Official - TGA)

V AIR TRANSPORTATION

Official Air Transportation for personnel of this headquarters traveling to Paris and Marseilles on government business is now available. A plane will leave Hq Airstrip Y-31 at 1000 hours daily, weather permitting. Persons interested should contact Major Dean at extension 29. (Official - TGA)

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Historical Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

19 December 1944

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I EDITOR'S NOTE

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II POST EXCHANGE (COMBINATION)

The 1st TACAF Post Exchange, 55 Rue De Verdun, will be open at the following hours:

Enlisted Personnel:

WEDNESDAYS : 0930 - 1100
1300 - 1700
THURSDAYS &
SATURDAYS : 1000 - 2000

Officers:

WEDNESDAYS : 1100 - 1200
THURSDAYS &
SATURDAYS : 1000 - 2000 (Official - TCK)

III TRAVEL ORDERS

All requests for travel orders will be signed by the section head or a properly designated administrative officer. Section heads should provide the Adjutant General's Section with the names of officers authorized to request travel orders. Requests for travel orders will be turned in to the Adjutant General's office 24 hours before travel is to be effected, except in the case of an emergency. (Official - TCK)

IV COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY

Counterfeit bills in 500 and 1000 franc denominations are now in circulation. All personnel of this headquarters will, therefore, turn in immediately to the Finance Office all supplemental bills (Invasion currency bills) in the above denominations, for conversion to Bank of France currency. (Official - TCK)

V AIR TRANSPORTATION

Official Air Transportation for personnel of this headquarters traveling to Paris and Marseilles on government business is now available. A plane will leave Mc Airstrip Y-31 at 1000 hours daily, weather permitting. Persons interested should contact Major Dean at extension 29. (Official - TCK)

VI PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with C/O Hall, Publications Division Adjutant General's Office, this headquarters. (Official - TCK)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (1st AF)
20 December 1944

I EDITOR'S NOTE

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II POST EXCHANGE (CORRECTION)

The 1st TACAF Post Exchange, 55 Rue De Verdun, will be open at the following hours:

ENLISTED PERSONNEL:

WEDNESDAYS : 0630 - 1100
1300 - 1700
MONDAYS &
SATURDAYS : 1600 - 2000

OFFICERS:

WEDNESDAYS : 1100 - 1200
MONDAYS &
SATURDAYS : 1600 - 2000
(Official - TJK)

III TRAVEL ORDERS

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VI PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with CWO Wall, Publications Division Adjutant General's Office, this headquarters. (Official - TJK)

VII THEATER

Tickets for the Stage Show "Barretts of Wimpole Street" are now available at the Special Service Office, Room 224, Headquarters building.

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Headquarters Bulletin

21 December 1944  Air Force (V674 No) 5

I EDITOR'S NOTE

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II TRAVEL ORDERS

Requests for travel orders will be turned in to the Adjutant General's office 24 hours before travel is to be effected, except in the case of an emergency. (Official - TJB)

III COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY

Counterfeit bills in 500 and 1000 franc denominations are now in circulation. All personnel of this headquarters will, therefore, turn in immediately to the Finance Office all supplemental bills (Foreign currency bills) in the above denominations, for conversion to Bank of France currency. (Official - TJB)

IV AIR TRANSPORTATION

OFFICIAL AIR Transportation for personnel of this headquarters traveling to Paris and Marseilles on government business is now available. A plane will leave Hq Airstrip 1-31 at 1000 hours daily, weather permitting. Persons interested should contact Major Dean at extension 29. (Official - TJB)

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "SWEET AND LOW" with Henry Goodman.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

22 December 1944

Vol 1 No 6

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I HOLIDAY PASSES

This headquarters has not issued an official policy on leaves, passes and furloughs because of the fact that no leave area has yet been established where personnel may go on leave, pass or furlough and because of the fact that the Paris area is closed to all personnel except members of combat crews.

It is the desire of the Commanding General, however, that Division and Section Chiefs should follow a liberal policy in granting time off over the holidays. Sections should run with the minimum personnel required on Christmas Day. Personnel who have places where they may go on pass, except Paris, may be granted passes for not over 48 hours, and may be provided with rations.

(Official - TCK)

III SUPPLY SHORTAGES

Each section of this headquarters will submit to the supply officer Hq & Hq Sq 1st TAC AF not later than Tuesday, 26 December 1944, a list of all shortages of office equipment. (Official - TCK).

IV AIR TRANSPORTATION

Official Air Transportation for personnel of this headquarters traveling to Paris and Marseilles on government business is now available. A plane will leave Hq Airstrip Y-31 at 1000 hours daily, weather permitting. Persons interested should contact Major Dean at extension 29. (Official - TCK).

V PK NOTICE

The Post Exchange will be closed on Monday, Christmas Day. Sales will be made on Sunday 24 December. PK Rations week is from Saturday to the following Friday. (Official - TCK)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Barbary Coast Gent"
with Wallace Beery and Binnie Barnes.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

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23 December 1944

Vol 1 No 7

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II MESS DRESS

Officers are reminded that the uniform for wear in the officers' mess on Saturdays from 1730 to 2400 hrs is as follows:

Officers Coat, Service, or Jacket, Wool CD or Dark Shade (Officer's Style) with appropriate Trousers (or Skirt), Shirt with Necktie, and lowcut or Service Shoes. (Official - TJB - AG)

III SUPPLY SHORTAGES

Each section of this headquarters will submit to the supply officer Hq & Hq Co 1st TAC AF not later than Tuesday, 26 December 1944, a list of all shortages of office equipment. (Official - TKG - AAG)

IV AIR TRANSPORTATION

All persons requiring air transportation will contact Major Stohl at the Airstrip.

It will no longer be necessary to call Major Dean's office to schedule planes. (Official - TKG - AAG)

V PX NOTICE

The Post Exchange will be closed on Monday, Christmas Day. Sales will be made on Sunday 24 December. PX Rations week is from Saturday to the following Friday. (Official - TKG - AAG)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Barbary Coast Gent"
with Wallace Beery and Binnie Barnes.

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Headquarters Bulletin
First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

CHRISTMAS DAY, 1944

Vol 1, No 8

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
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HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO
ALL THE OFFICERS
AND MEN
OF MY COMMAND.

Ralph Royce
RALPH ROYCE
Major General, U. S. Army
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

26 December 1944

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I MAIL ORDERS

Mail of enlisted personnel of this Headquarters will hereafter be censored by an officer of the section concerned. (Official - TJB - AG)

II AIR TRANSPORTATION

All persons requiring air transportation will contact Major Stohl at the Airstrip.

It will no longer be necessary to call Major Dean's office to schedule planes. (Official - TJB - AG)

III SUPPLY SHORTAGES

Each section of this headquarters will submit to the supply officer Hq & Hq Sq 1st TAC AF not later than Tuesday, 26 December 1944, a list of all shortages of office equipment. (Official - TJB - AG)

IV ALABAMA WEEK

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Greenwich Village"

with Don Specke and Carmin Miranda

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Headquarters Bulletin

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27 December 1944

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I MAIL CENSORS

Mail of Enlisted Personnel of this Headquarters will hereafter be censored by an officer of the section concerned. (Official - TJB- AG)

II AIR TRANSPORTATION

All persons requiring air transportation will contact Major Stohl at the Airstrip.

It will no longer be necessary to call Major Dean's office to schedule planes. (Official - TCK - AAG)

III SUPPLY SHORTAGES

Each section of this headquarters will submit to the supply officer Hq & Hq Sq 1st TAC AF not later than Tuesday, 26 December 1944, a list of all shortages of office equipment. (Official - TCK - AAG)

IV OFFICERS CLUB COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the Council at 1930, Thursday 28 December 1944, in the office of the Mess Officer.

V PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Item III of Hq Bulletin #2, 18 December 1944, is no longer effective, and correspondence to higher headquarters or of a policy-forming nature will now be prepared for the signature of T J BROGAN

Colonel, AGD

Adjutant General

(Official - TJB-AG)

VI ALABAMA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Rainbow Island" with Dorothy Lamour
Eddie Bracken

VII NOTICE

Enlisted personnel to whom weapons have been issued will carry the prescribed weapon at all times when out of doors on duty, or going to or from duty. Officers will carry arms whenever it appears necessary or desirable for their personal protection. These instructions are applicable to the general area of this Headquarters. (Official - TCK-AAG)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

28 December 1944

Vol 1 No 11

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I QUARTERMASTER ACTIVITIES

All units attached to this headquarters and stationed in this city will coordinate all Quartermaster activities with the office of the Headquarters Commandant. (Official - TJB - AG)

II USE OF MANNING TABLE

Attention of heads of all Staff Sections, this headquarters, is directed to new Manning Table. This table will be used as a basis for organization or reorganization of the sections shown therein. Any requests for changes will be coordinated with the Director of Organization and Movement before requesting A-1, Director of Personnel, for personnel to effect such changes. (Official - TJB - AG)

III AIR TRANSPORTATION

All persons requiring air transportation will contact Major Stohl at the airstrip.

It will no longer be necessary to call Major Dean's office to schedule planes. (Official - TJB - AG)

IV OFFICERS CLUB COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the Council at 1930, Thursday 28 December 1944, in the office of the Mess Officer.

V PREPARATION OF CORRESPONDENCE

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T J BROWN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General. (Official-TJB-AG)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Rainbow Island" with Dorothy Lamour
Eddie Bracken

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

29 December 1944

Vol 1 No 12

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I QUARTERMASTER ACTIVITIES

All units attached to this headquarters and stationed in this city will coordinate all Quartermaster activities with the office of the Headquarters Commandant. (Official - TJB - AG)

II USE OF MANNING TABLE

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III MESS EQUIPMENT

Officers who have "borrowed" glasses and other equipment from the mess or club are requested to return same to the mess hall at their earliest convenience. There are not now enough glasses left to go around.

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "In Old Oklahoma"

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

30 December 1944

Vol 1 No 13

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I QUARTERMASTER ACTIVITIES

All units attached to this headquarters and stationed in this city will coordinate all Quartermaster activities with the office of the Headquarters Commandant. (Official - TJB - AG)

II USE OF PLANNING TABLE

Attention of heads of all Staff Sections, this headquarters, is directed to new Planning Table. This table will be used as a basis for organization or reorganization of the sections shown therein. Any requests for changes will be coordinated with the Director of Organization and Movement before requesting A-1, Director of Personnel, for personnel to effect such changes. (Official - TJB - AG)

III MESS EQUIPMENT

Officers who have "borrowed" glasses and other equipment from the mess or club are requested to return same to the mess hall at their earliest convenience. There are not now enough glasses left to go around.

IV EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Section heads are reminded that Efficiency Report Work Sheets will be completed for all W/O's as well as Commissioned Officers (including WAC) prior to 3 January 1945. (Official - TGA - AAG)

V ELECTRIC SERVICE

Due to the present intense overload on the electrical wiring of the Headquarters building, no more extensions will be installed, nor will electrical equipment other than light-bulbs be used on headquarters-building lines.

This situation is critical, and in order to prevent burning out of supply-cables, all personnel will take positive action to see that above is complied with. (Official - TJB - AG)

VI 63rd FIGHTER WING NOTICE

All officers and enlisted men assigned to the 63rd Fighter Wing, and on DS to First Tactical AF (Prov), will upon leaving or returning to this Headquarters for detached service or on a permanent change of station, report to Headquarters 63rd Fighter Wing, phone #664, giving the date of departure or arrival and authority for same.

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "In Old Oklahoma"

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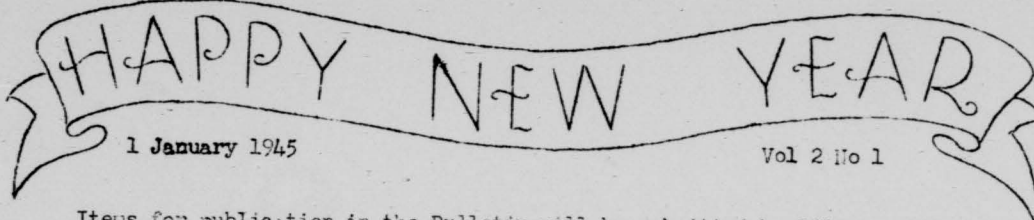
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)



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I GREETING

As we start off this New Year I want to thank every member of our First TACAF for their splendid help in making our Air Force a powerful striking force that has contributed largely in driving the enemy to his last desperate stand. And in this New Year I know your efforts will be redoubled to make certain his complete defeat. 1945 will be a year of glorious victory for all of us.

RALPH ROYCE
Major General, USA
Commanding

II CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Effective today, the 1-2 briefing formerly presented at 11:45 hours will be scheduled for 1630 daily. The Staff Briefing will continue to be held at 1700. The War Room will be closed to visitors at other hours. (Official - TGM - AG)

III TRANSPORTATION

Due to the acute shortage of Transportation the following policy will be adhered to:

Pool Transportation for all officers below the rank of full Colonel will not be made available for travel to locations which are not serviced by a courier. In the case of full Colonels dispatch may be made but the vehicle should return to the pool immediately after reaching its destination unless it is definitely required in the transaction of official business. Officers below the rank of Colonel will be obliged to use Com 2 or US TAF motor pool or taxi facilities during visits to Paris. (Official TJB - AG)

IV EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Section heads are reminded that Efficiency Report Work Sheets will be completed for all WO's as well as Commissioned Officers (including MC) prior to 3 January 1945. (Official - TGM - AG)

V ELECTRIC SERVICE

Due to the present intense overload on the electrical wiring of the Headquarters building, no more extensions will be installed, nor will electrical equipment other than light-bulbs be used on headquarters-building lines.

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VII CORRESPONDENCE CODE

The code letters PD have been allocated to the Air Disarmament Section of this headquarters, and will be used on all messages and correspondence originating in that section. (Official TJB - AG)

VIII TELETYPE PHRASEOLOGY

The use of stereotyped phraseology and set forms of expression in electrically transmitted messages is a violation of cryptographic security. Originating officers are reminded to avoid such terms whenever possible. (Official TJB - AG)

IX MAIL CENSORSHIP

Censorship of mail of Enlisted Personnel is a responsibility of the Chief of Section concerned. However, in cases where embarrassment might result from a section officer censoring mail of enlisted personnel of his section, other arrangements may be made by Chief of Section, such as transferring or alternating with officers of another section. Section mail, after censoring, will be delivered by the ranking Non-Com of the section to the Squadron Mail room, where it will be stamped and dispatched. (Official TJB - AG)

X AM. BR. THEATER

There will be no show tonight for the GI's.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

2 January 1945

Vol 2 No 2

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I CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

Effective today, the A-2 briefing formerly presented at 11:45 hours will be scheduled for 1630 daily. The Staff Briefing will continue to be held at 1700. The War Room will be closed to visitors at other hours. (Official - TKG - AG)

II TRANSPORTATION

Due to the acute shortage of Transportation the following policy will be adhered to:

Pool Transportation for all officers below the rank of full Colonel will not be made available for travel to locations which are now serviced by a courier. In the case of full Colonels dispatch may be made but the vehicle should return to the pool immediately after reaching its destination unless it is definitely required in the transaction of official business. Officers below the rank of Colonel will be obliged to use Com Z or USSTAF motor pool or taxi facilities during visits to Paris. (Official TJB - AG)

III EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Section heads are reminded that Efficiency Report Work Sheets will be completed for all W/O's as well as Commissioned Officers (including WAC) prior to 3 January 1945. (Official - TKG - AG)

IV CORRESPONDENCE CODE

The code letters FD have been allocated to the Air Disarmament Section of this headquarters, and will be used on all messages and correspondence originating in that section. (Official TJB - AG)

V TELETYPE PROCEDURE

The use of stereotyped phraseology and set forms of expression in electrically-transmitted messages is a violation of cryptographic security. Originating officers are reminded to avoid such terms whenever possible. (Official TJB - AG)

VI CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERY

Due to the shortage of personnel in the AG Section, it will be necessary, effective immediately, for Staff Sections to pick up and deliver the correspondence of their sections at the AG Mail and Distribution Section. (Official TJB - AG)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Take It Big" with Jack Haley and Harriet Hilliard

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

3 January 1945

Vol 2 No 3

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

The A-2 briefing formerly presented at 11:45 hours is now scheduled for 1630 daily. The Staff Briefing will continue to be held at 1700. The War Room will be closed to visitors at other hours. (Official - TCK - AAG)

II TRANSPORTATION

Due to the acute shortage of Transportation the following policy will be adhered to:

Pool Transportation for all officers below the grade of full Colonel will not be made available for travel to locations which are now serviced by a courier. In the case of full Colonels dispatch may be made but the vehicle should return to the pool immediately after reaching its destination unless it is definitely required in the transaction of official business. Officers below the grade of Colonel will be obliged to use Com Z or USSTAF motor pool or taxi facilities during visits to Paris. (Official TJB - AG)

III EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Section heads are reminded that Efficiency Report Work Sheets will be completed for all W/O's as well as Commissioned Officers (including WAC) and returned to AG Personnel Division sometime today 3 January 1945. (Official - TCK - AAG)

IV CORRESPONDENCE CODE

The code letters "FD" have been allocated to the Air Disarmament Section of this headquarters, and will be used on all messages and correspondence originating in that section. (Official TJB - AG)

V TELETYPE PROCEDURE

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VII PUBLICATIONS

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coordinate with CWO Wall, AG Publications Section, and furnish copy of requisition marked, "Information Copy", to him.

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Ladies of Washington" with Ronald Graham and Trudy Marshall

IX CORRESPONDENCE

Considerable correspondence from other headquarters, forwarded here for action, is frequently lacking sufficient copies to permit one being filed in Central Records. Such correspondence will hereafter be "tagged" to indicate just what is necessary to complete files. Sections will prepare such copies as may be needed and these will accompany the correspondence with the forwarding independent. (Official - TJB - AG)

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Headquarters Bulletin

4 January 1945 Tactical Air Force Vol (2) (Rev 4)

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT:

1. Letter USSTAF, 20 December 1944, requires that the following be withdrawn from unauthorized ground and non-fly-status personnel:

CLASS 13

Bag, Assembly - Flying, Clothing, Type B-4
Glasses - Flying, Sun, Comfort, Cable
Gloves - Flying, Winter, all types
Gloves - Flying, Summer, all types
Helmet - Flying, Winter
Helmet - Flying, Intermediate
Jacket - Flying, types B-9, B-10, B-11, B-15
Shoes - Flying, Winter, types A-6, A-9
Suit - Summer, Flying, all types
Trousers - Flying, Intermediate, type A-9
Vest - Life Preserver, type B-4
Parachutes - Class 05A
Watch, - Navigation

2. All officers, this headquarters, who have in their possession any of the above listed items and who are not on flying status, will turn in such property to Lt Blackwell, Squadron Supply Officer, who will receipt therefor.

3. All officers, this headquarters, will submit certificate that none of the above items in excess of those authorized by regulations are in their possession. (Certificates to be delivered to Capt Wilson, Asst A.G., who has blank Certificates for the purpose). (Official - TJB - AG)

II CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

The A-2 briefing formerly presented at 11:45 hours is now scheduled for 1630 daily. The Staff Briefing will continue to be held at 1700. The War Room will be closed to visitors at other hours. (Official - TKG - AAG)

III EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Section heads are reminded that Efficiency Report Work Sheets were due to be completed and returned to AG Personnel Division yesterday. (Official TKG)

IV CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERY

Due to the shortage of personnel in the AG Section, it will be necessary effective immediately, for Staff Sections to pick up and deliver the correspondence of their sections at the AG Mail and Distribution Section. (Official TJB - AG)

V PUBLICATIONS

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VI MIMMOGRAPH WORK

All mimograph work submitted to the AG Publications Section will be accompanied by a signed Job Sheet, which may be obtained from that Section. (Official TJB AG)

VII CORRESPONDENCE

Considerable correspondence from other headquarters, forwarded here for action, is frequently lacking sufficient copies to permit one being filed in Central Records. Such correspondence will hereafter be "tagged" to indicate just what is necessary to complete files. Sections will prepare such copies as may be needed and these will accompany the correspondence with the forwarding indorsement. (Official TJB AG)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Ladies of Washington" with Ronald Graham and Trudy Marshall

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

5 January 1945

Vol 2 No 5

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT:

1. Letter USAF, 20 December 1944, requires that the following be withdrawn from unauthorized ground and non-flying-status personnel:

Bag, Assembly	- Flying, Clothing, Type B-4
Glasses	- Flying, Sun, Comfort, Cable
Gloves	- Flying, Winter, all types
Gloves	- Flying, Summer, all types
Helmet	- Flying, Winter
Helmet	- Flying, Intermediate
Jacket	- Flying, types B-9, B-10, B-11, B-15
Shoes	- Flying, Winter, types A-6, A-9
Suit	- Summer, Flying, all types
Trousers	- Flying, Intermediate, type A-9
Vest	- Life Preserver, type B-4
Parachutes	-
Watch	- Navigation

2. All officers, this headquarters, who have in their possession any of the above listed items and who are not on flying status, will turn in such property to Lt Blackwell, Squadron Supply Officer, who will receipt therefor.

3. All officers, this headquarters, will submit certificate that none of the above items in excess of those authorized by regulations are in their possession. (Certificates to be delivered to Capt Wilson, Asst A.G., who has blank Certificates for the purpose, by 10 January 1945. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

II DEERIS

The throwing of extraneous materials into toilet bowls will cease at once. The one plumber available is unable to handle the overflow of repairs necessitated by this practice. (Official TKG - AAG) (1)

III BUS SERVICE

Bus service is now provided, every half hour, between this Headquarters and Headquarters Sixth Army Group. (Official TKG - AAG) (1)

IV RED CROSS CHAIR TIGES

Mr Lee Whitten, Red Cross Field Director will be in the Special Service Office, located in the Villa Pasteur, for consultation Monday 8 January 1945 starting at 1000 hrs. (Official TKG - AAG) (1)

V PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with, AG Publications Section, furnishing thereto a copy of each requisition, marked "Information Copy". (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

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VI MINI-GRAPH WORK

All mini-graph work submitted to the AG Publications Section will be accompanied by a signed Job Sheet, which may be obtained from that Section. (Official TGB - AG) (2)

VII CORRESPONDENCE

Considerable correspondence from other headquarters, forwarded here for action, is frequently lacking sufficient copies to permit one being filed in Central Records. Such correspondence will hereafter be "tagged" to indicate just what is necessary to complete files. Sections will prepare such copies as may be needed and these will accompany the correspondence with the forwarding indorsement. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

VIII RATINGS

Entries must be made on Forms TD AGO 66-1 or 66-2 of all officers of this headquarters, showing efficiency ratings for the period ending 31 December 1944. These entries must be initialed by the Chief of Section concerned. Section Chiefs who do not have the Forms in their possession may draw them on hand-receipt from the AG Personnel Section. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Hi Gee! Lookin'" with Eddie Quillen and Harriet Hilliard

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

6 January 1945

Vol 2 No 6

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

1. Letter HQ T F, 20 December 1944, requires that the following be withdrawn from unauthorized ground and non-flying-status personnel:

Bag, Assembly	- Flying, Clothing, Type B-4
Glasses	- Flying, Sun, Comfort, Cable
Gloves	- Flying, Winter, all types
Gloves	- Flying, Summer, all types
Helmet	- Flying, Winter
Helmet	- Flying, Intermediate
Jacket	- Flying, Types B-9, B-10, B-11, B-15
Shoes	- Flying, Inter, Types A-6, A-9
Suit	- Summer, Flying, all types
Trousers	- Flying, Intermediate, Type A-9
Vest	- Life Preserver, Type B-4
Parachutes	-
Watch	- Navigation

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II DEBRIS

The throwing of extraneous materials into toilet bowls will cease at once. The one plumber available is unable to handle the overflow of repairs necessitated by this practice. (Official TGB - AG) (2)

III BUS SERVICE

Bus service is now provided, every half hour, between this Headquarters and Headquarters Sixth Army Group. (Official TGB - AG) (2)

IV RED CROSS CONSULTATIONS

Mr Leo Whitten, Red Cross Field Director will be in the Special Service Office, located in the Villa Pasteur, for consultation Monday 8 January 1945 starting at 1000 hrs. (Official TGB - AG) (2)

V PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with, AG Publications Section and furnish that section a copy of each requisition, marked "Information Copy". (Official - TJB - AG) (4)

VI MINEOGRAPHING

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accompanied by a signed Job Sheet, which may be obtained from that section.
(Official TGH - AAG) (3)

VII CONFIGURATION OF GISTRATION

There will be a demonstration in the use of incendiary grenades, 6 January 1945, at 1700 hours, in rear of Thermes Hotel. (Official TGH - AAG) (0)

VIII RATINGS

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IX CURRENT ELECTRICAL FACILITIES

The critical overload on wiring circuits in the headquarters building continues to be of vital concern. If electric-current demands are not kept to a minimum, unreplacable wiring circuits may be damaged, or dangerous fires may result. In order to reduce this hazard, heads of sections will see that:

- (a) No electrical appliances are connected to existing outlets.
- (b) All excess bulbs are removed from sockets.
- (c) Lights are turned out when not being utilized. (Official TGH-AAG) (1)

X ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Hi Good Lookin'" with Eddie Quillen and Harriet Hilliard

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Provd)

8 January 1945

Vol 2 No 7

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I OFFICER OF THE DAY

There are approximately 100 officers (exclusive of Medical Corps) of company grade in this headquarters. The Headquarters Commandant, who is responsible for the guard, maintains the Officer of the Day duty roster. In order to reduce the burden of this duty on individual officers, it is desired that each section submit to the A.G. by 10 January, the names of company grade officers whom it is believed should be excused from duty as Officer of the Day, with reasons therefor. It should be borne in mind that each officer so excused increases the burden on those remaining. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

II CORRESPONDENCE

A small supply of "Comeback" and "Coordination and File" sheets have been issued to Staff Sections, for use as appropriate. Additional copies of these sheets will be available, when needed, at the AG Publication Section. (Official - TCK - AAG) (1)

III DEBRIS

The throwing of extraneous materials into toilet bowls will cease at once. The one plumber available is unable to handle the overflow of repairs necessitated by this practice. (Official TCK - AAG) (3)

III BUS SERVICE

Bus service is now provided, every half hour, between this Headquarters and Headquarters Sixth Army Group. (Official TCK - AAG) (3)

IV RED CROSS CONSULTATIONS

Mr Lee Whitton, Red Cross Field Director will be in the Special Service Office, located in the Villa Pasteur, for consultation Monday 8 January 1945 starting at 1000 hrs. (Official TCK - AAG) (3)

V MIMEOGRAPH WORK

All mimeograph work submitted to the AG Publications Section will be accompanied by a signed Job Sheet, which may be obtained from that section. (Official TCK - AAG) (3)

VI RATINGS

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- (b) All excess bulbs are removed from sockets.
- (c) Lights are turned out when not being utilized. (Official TKG-A (2))

VIII DANCING

There will be a dance for officers and their guests in the Officers Mess Saturday, 13 Jan 1945 from 2100 to 0100 hrs. Officers will furnish their own dancing-partners, if desired. (Official - TKG - A.G) (1)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Make Your Own Bed" with Jack Carson-Jane Wyman

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

9 January 1945

Vol 2 No 8

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I OFFICER OF THE DAY

There are approximately 100 officers (exclusive of Medical Corps) of company grade in this headquarters. The Headquarters Commandant, who is responsible for the guard, maintains the Officer of the Day duty roster. In order to reduce the burden of this duty on individual officers, it is desired that each section submit to the A.G. by 10 January, the names of company grade officers whom it is believed should be excused from duty as Officer of the Day, with reasons therefor. It should be borne in mind that each officer so excused increases the burden on those remaining. (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

II CORRESPONDENCE

A small supply of "Comback" and "coordination and File" sheets have been issued to Staff Sections, for use as appropriate. Additional copies of these sheets will be available, when needed, at the AG Publication Section.

(Official - TCK - AAG) (2)

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- (b) All excess bulbs are removed from sockets.
- (c) Lights are turned out when not being utilized. (Official TCK - AAG) (3)

IV DANCING

There will be a dance for officers and their guests in the Officers Mess Saturday, 13 January 1945 from 2100 to 0100 hrs. Officers will furnish their own dancing-partners, if desired. (Official - TCK - AAG) (2)

V OFFICERS' MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the Officers' Club in the Club Lounge at 1930 hrs Thursday 11 January 1945. This meeting will last approximately 15 minutes, and all members are urged to attend. (Official - TJB - AG)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Make Your Own Bed" with Jack Carson - Jane Wyman

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

10 January 1945

Vol 2 No 9

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I OFFICER OF THE DAY

There are approximately 100 officers (exclusive of Medical Corps) of company grade in this headquarters. The Headquarters Commandant, who is responsible for the guard, maintains the Officer of the Day duty roster. In order to reduce the burden of this duty on individual officers, it is desired that each section submit to the A.G. Today, the names of company grade officers whom it is believed should be excused from duty as Officer of the Day, with reasons therefor. It should be borne in mind that each officer so excused increases the burden on those remaining. (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

II CORRESPONDENCE

A small supply of "Comback" and "Coordination and File" sheets have been issued to Staff Sections, for use as appropriate. Additional copies of these sheets will be available, when needed, at the AG Publication Section. (Official - TKG - AG) (3)

III MESS NOTICE

Officers inviting civilian guests to the mess are reminded to make deduction from their following months pay voucher at the rate of 25¢ per meal for each guest served. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IV DANCING

There will be a dance for officers and their guests in the Officers Mess Saturday, 13 January 1945 from 2100 to 0100 hrs. Officers will furnish their own dancing-partners, if desired. (Official - TKG - AG) (3)

V OFFICERS' MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the Officers' Club in the Club Lounge at 1930 hrs Thursday 11 January 1945. This meeting will last approximately 15 minutes, and all members are urged to attend. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Atlantic City" with Constance Moore and Bedford Taylor

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

11 January 1945

Vol 2 No 10

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I The following letter, 1 January 1945 is quoted for the information of the personnel of this headquarters:

"Dear Royce:

The victories of our armies during the past year have brought new proof of how effectively tactical air power can cooperate with ground forces. Captured Germans themselves have testified to the effectiveness of our air effort in disrupting their organization and smashing their morale, and have stated that our planes were an outstanding factor in their rout.

I know that your efforts have been a substantial contribution to the successes of the AAF on all fronts during the past year.

For the even more successful year to come, I want to extend to you and your Command my cordial greetings and good wishes.

Sincerely,

/s/ H. H. Arnold
H. H. ARNOLD

Commanding General, Army Air Forces "

II OFFICERS' BILLETTS

Due to the lack of sufficient billets, it is necessary to billet company grade officers three to a room, effective immediately. Officers of field grade now billeted with an officer of company grade will make known to the Hq Comdt their desire to move or remain where they are. Officers of company grade who have any preference for roommates will make their desires known to the Hq Comdt. (Official - NIK - AAG) (1)

III MESS NOTICE (CORRECTION)

Officers inviting civilian guests to the mess are reminded to pay to the Mess Officer at each meal the sum of 25¢ per meal for each guest served. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IV DANCE

There will be a dance for officers and their guests in the Officers Mess Saturday, 13 January 1945 from 2100 to 0100 hrs. Officers will furnish their own dancing-partners, if desired. (Official - TKG - AAG) (2)

V MEDICAL CARE

Medical care is afforded at the Station Dispensary for personnel of this Headquarters and attached units. When treatment is required which cannot be administered by the Station Surgeon, necessary arrangements will be made by him. (Official TKG - AAG) (1)

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VI ELECTRICAL FACILITIES

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- (a) NO ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES ARE CONNECTED TO EXISTING OUTLETS.
- (b) ALL EXCESS BULBS ARE REMOVED FROM SOCKETS.
- (c) LIGHTS ARE TURNED OUT WHEN NOT BEING UTILIZED. (Official-TJB-AG) (1)

VII OFFICERS' MEETING

There will be an important meeting of the Officers' Club in the Club Lounge at 1930 hrs Thursday 11 January 1945. This meeting will last approximately 15 minutes, and all members are urged to attend. (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Atlantic City" with Constance Moore and Bedford Taylor

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

12 January 1945

Vol 2 No 11

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force, who desire to promote Privates of the 63rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, are requested to submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Hq & Hq Squadron, 63rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Monday, Jan 15, 1945. Only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made. (Official TKG - AAG) (2)

II OFFICERS' BILLETTS

Due to the lack of sufficient billets, it is necessary to billet company-grade officers three to a room, effective immediately. Each officer of field grade now billeted with an officer of company grade will make known to the Hq Comdt his desire to move or remain in present billet. Officers of company grade who have any preference for roommates will make their desires known to the Hq Comdt. (Official - Hq - AAG) (2)

III TELETYPE MESSAGES

Outgoing teletype messages must be authenticated by an officer of the Adjutant General's Division. Messages originating between the hours of 0800 and 1730 will be delivered to the Adjutant General's Office for signature of Colonel Brogan, Lt. Col. Latzger, or Major Kronberg, before taking it to AG Cables Section. Messages originating between 1730 and 0800 hrs will be delivered direct to Cable Section. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IV ANOTHER LESS NOTICE

Numerous officers have indicated a desire to have the main meal of the day in the evening instead of at noon. Beginning today, meals will be served in that manner. Retention or rejection of this system will depend on the general reaction of the members of the mess.

V BILLETING & MESSING OF VISITORS

Billeting and messing of visitors to this headquarters is a serious problem, especially as concerns billeting. It has been noticed that there is a tendency to arrange for visits on week ends. It is therefore desired that personnel of this headquarters who may arrange for such visits do all in their power to reduce the number of week-end visitors and arrange for such visits during the week. Conference with the Headquarters Commandant prior to such arrangements will assist in adjusting this matter. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

VI DANCE

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VII MEDICAL CARE

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IX NCO CLUB MEETING

There WILL be a meeting of all members of the NCO Club Sunday 14 January 1945, at 1900 hours, for the reelection of officers. Visitors will not be admitted until meeting adjourns.

X ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "OnBarry Was A Lady" with Red Skelton and Lucille Ball

XI HAY RIDE

Officers and enlisted men who are interested in going on the Hay Ride Party Sunday Evening, 14 January 1945, as previously announced, should call the Special Service Office, Phone 37.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
13 January 1945 Vol 2 No 12

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I PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS

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IV MESS NOTICE

Officers inviting civilian guests to the mess are reminded to make deduction from their following months pay voucher at the rate of 25¢ per meal for each guest served. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

V ANOTHER MESS NOTICE

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X. MAIL-BOX

A mail box for enlisted personnel's censored mail has been placed in the lobby of this building near the entrance. Section mail, after censorship will be deposited by an officer in the mail box where it will be picked up and prepared for dispatch by the Squadron Mail Clerk. (Official AR - AG) (1)

XI. NCO CLUB MEETING

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XII. HAY RIDE

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XIV. TRAVEL ORDERS

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

15 January 1945

Vol 2 No.13

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VII REPORT

In order to render personnel reports accurately, a weekly roster will be submitted by all sections of this headquarters, as of 1200 hrs each Friday. Forms for this report are now obtainable at Hq Sq Orderly-Room. (Official TCK - AG) (1)

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VIII USSTAF COURIER

All officers and men wishing to return from Paris can contact the USSTAF Courier at the SCRIBE HOTEL (Press Building) Cor. Boulevard Des Capucines and Rue Scribe. Effective this date the USSTAF Courier will not stop at Seine Base Section. The USSTAF Courier will check with Capt. ANDREWS in Room 27, SCRIBE HOTEL each morning between the hour of 0930 and 1000. (Official HLT - LAG) (1)

IX BOY SCOUTS

All officers and enlisted men of this headquarters who have been members of the Boy Scouts of America, either as Scouts or Scouters, are invited to join in forming a Scouters Service Club. The purpose of this club will be to keep former Scouts in touch with Scouting, and also to render services to soldiers who are hospitalized, by visiting these men, writing letters and providing toilet articles and reading materials for them. Officers and enlisted men who are interested in forming such a club will meet at the Special Service Office, Villa Pasteur, at 2000 hours on Tuesday, 16 January 1945.

X OPENING OF M. AND W. CLUB

The north wing of the railroad station in Vittel has been converted into a club for all the enlisted personnel of this headquarters. There is adequate lounge and dancing space in the club, which will open at 1100 hours 15 January 1945. The club will be open every day so that enlisted personnel may spend their off duty hours in comfort. The grand formal opening will be Saturday, 20 January 1945 at 2000 hours; the 42nd Bomb Wing Orchestra will furnish the music, and there will be refreshments.

XI TRAVEL ORDERS

All requests for travel orders to Paris will be prepared to show the headquarters and the agency to be visited in Paris, not just "Paris, France". (Official - TCK - LAG) (2)

XII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- Gamblers Choice

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

16 January 1945

Vol 2 No 14

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I MAIL-BOX

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II NCO CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the Headquarters First Tactical Air Force NCO Club at 1930 hours, Thursday, 18 January 1945 at the Club. All members present will constitute a quorum. Absentees will furnish a legitimate excuse for their absence within forty-eight (48) hours after the meeting, or will be automatically expelled from the Club and dropped from the rolls thereof. (1)

III TELEPHONE CALLS

Long distance telephone calls from this headquarters are averaging from two to 25 minutes per call. To obtain the most efficient use of our long distance facilities and to make these facilities available to as many people as possible, it is essential that long distance telephone conversations be as brief as possible. Conversations are materially shortened if notes are prepared before making the call.

There is a peak in outgoing telegraphic messages between 1700 and 1800 hours, each day. If all sections dispatch their messages promptly during the day this peak condition will be alleviated and the handling of message traffic will be facilitated. (Official TKG - AAG) (1)

IV REPORT

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

17 January 1945

Vol 2 No 15

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I SUPPLY PROCEDURE

Individual officers of this Headquarters have been going to the 86th Air Depot Group for supplies for their sections and for personal use. This practice causes an undue burden upon the Depot Supply Officer, as he must be consulted in each case and considerable delay results in routine supply. The 86th Air Depot Group will be of all possible assistance but requests must be processed through Lt Blackwell, Headquarters Squadron Supply Officer. (Official TGM - M.G.) (1)

II LOCAL PROCUREMENT

All requests for local procurement of labor and/or supplies must be accompanied by a certificate of unavailability through normal U.S. channels. Requests involving hiring of labor or structural changes to buildings must receive approval of Headquarters Commandant before submission to the purchasing and contracting officer. Certificate forms are available at the purchasing and contracting office. Phone #27. (Official - TGM - M.G.) (1)

III FOUND

One U.S. Land Adjuster Slide Rule, CG - 4. Loser may have some by applying at M.G. Office. (1)

IV MCC CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the Headquarters First Tactical Air Force MCC Club at 1930 hours, Thursday, 18 January 1945 at the Club. All members present will constitute a quorum. Absentees will furnish a legitimate excuse for their absence within forty-eight (48) hours after the meeting, or will be automatically expelled from the Club and dropped from the rolls thereof. (2)

V TELEPHONE CALLS

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VII LOSS NOTICE

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III. USSTAF COURIER

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IX. OPENING OF ENLISTED CLUB

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X. ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Mask of Dimitrios" with Peter Lorre and Sidney Greenstreet

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

18 January 1945

Vol 2 No 16

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I OFFICER COMING

The Signal Security Officer has requested that Officer Couriers be obtained for the following destinations:

First French Air Corps
Det "A" - First French Air Corps
42nd Bomb Wing
213th A.M. Group
83rd Service Group
310th Service Group
312th Service Group
French Air Forces of the West.

Any Officer from this Headquarters departing to visit one of the aforementioned organizations will contact Capt Charles L. Rice, Signal Security Officer, Room 24, before leaving, to pick up classified cryptographic material for the above organizations. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

II FURNITURE

Under no circumstances will furniture be broken up for firewood. Broken or disassembled furniture will be referred to the Headquarters Utilities Officer for repair or other disposition. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

III DANCE

There will be a dance for Officers of this Headquarters, and their guests, Saturday 20 January 1945, from 2030 to 2330, at the new Officers' Club rooms in the Lorraine Hotel.

IV SUPPLY PROCEDURE

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

19 January 1945

Vol 2 No 17

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I OFFICER COURIER

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IV SUPPLY PROCEDURE

Individual officers of this Headquarters have been going to the 86th Air Depot Group for supplies for their sections and for personal use. This practice causes an undue burden upon the Depot Supply Officer, as he must be consulted in each case and considerable delay results in routine supply. The 86th Air Depot Group will be of all possible assistance but requests must be processed through Lt Blackwell, Headquarters Squadron Supply Officer. (Official TCK - AG) (3)

V LOCAL PROCUREMENT

All requests for local procurement of labor and/or supplies must be accompanied by a certificate of unavailability through normal U.S. channels. Requests involving hiring of labor or structural changes to buildings must receive approval of Headquarters Commandant before submission to the purchasing and contracting officer. Certificate forms are available at the purchasing and contracting office. Phone #27. (Official - TCK - AG) (3)

VI FOUND

One USAAF Load Adjuster Slide Rule, CG - L. Los r may have same by applying at AG Office. (3)

VII OPENING

The New Officers' Club and Lounge will open tonite at 1730, in the Lorraine Hotel. (3)

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VIII FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

106 Officers of this Hq have not yet accomplished certificates re: possession of flying clothing. Those who have not yet done so are urged to report to AG Personnel Section immediately and accomplish same. (Official-TCK-ALG) (1)

IX USSTAF COURIER

All officers and men wishing to return from Paris can contact the USSTAF Courier at the SCRIBE HOTEL (Press Building) Cor Boulevard Des Capucines and Rue Scribe. Effective this date the USSTAF Courier will not stop at Seine Base Section. The USSTAF Courier will check with CAPT ANDREWS in Room 128 SCRIBE HOTEL each morning between the hour of 0930 and 1000. (Official - TCK - ALG) (2)

X ALLIERE THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Standing Room Only" with Paulette Goddard and Fred MacMurray

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
-20 January 1945- Vol 2 No 18

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I GENERAL COURT MEETING

Members of General Court appointed per Par 3 SO #5, HQ ASC, USAAF, dated 11 January 1945, will meet in Colonel Breckenridge's Office at 1400 hrs today.

II PASSEGER SERVICE

Daily railway passenger service is available between Lunaville, Nancy, Dijon, and Paris and any information concerning same can be secured by contacting Transportation Section, A-4, phone: Ext 204. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

III RFI MESSAGES

Facilities are available for the transmission of Expeditionary Force Messages (RFI) and Senders Composition Messages (SCM) to the United States direct from a transmitting station located in this area.

For rates and conditions, contact the Postal Officer, AG Section, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours daily. (Official AR - AG)

IV OFFICER COURIER

The Signal Security Officer has requested that Officer Couriers be obtained for the following destinations:

First French Air Corps
Det "A" - First French Air Corps
2nd Bombing
213th AAA Group
83rd Service Group
320th Service Group
312th Service Group
French Air Forces of the West.

Any Officer from this Headquarters desiring to visit one of the aforementioned organizations will contact Capt Charles L. Rice, Signal Security Officer Room 24, before leaving, to pick up classified cryptographic material for the above organizations. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

V FURNITURE

Under no circumstances will furniture be broken up for firewood. Broken or disassembled furniture will be referred to the Headquarters Utilities Officer for repair or other disposition. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

VI DANCE

There will be a dance for Officers of this Headquarters, and their guests, Saturday 20 January 1945, from 2030 to 0030, at the new Officers' Club rooms in the Lorraine Hotel. (3)

VII FOUL

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VIII FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

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IX USSTAF COURIER

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X ALLIED TELETYPE

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

22 January 1945

Vol 2 No 19

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I OFFICERS' CLUB

Club hours from 1730 to 2300 hours every night except dance nights. Bar hours from 1730 to 2230 hours every night except dance nights. (1)

II POST EXCHANGE HOURS

Office hours at the Post Exchange are from 1100 hours to 1200 hours each day, except Sundays. It is requested that officers get their purchases during these hours only. (1)

III PASSENGER SERVICE

Daily railway passenger service is available between Lunenburg, Nancy, Dijon, and Paris and any information concerning same can be secured by contacting Transportation Section, A-4, Phone: Ext 254. (Official TCB - AG) (3)

IV RF MESSAGES

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For rates and conditions, contact the Postal Officer, AG Section, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours daily. (Official AG - AG) (2)

V LOUD

One USAF Load Adjuster Slide Rule, CG - 44. Load may have same by applying at AG Office. (3)

VI FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

98 Officers of this AG have not yet accomplished certificates re: possession of flying clothing. Those who have not yet done so are urged to report to AG Personnel Section immediately and accomplish same. (Official - TCB - AG) (3)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Till We Meet Again" with Barbara Britton and Ray Milland

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

23 January 1945

Vol 2 No 20

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I OFFICERS' CLUB

Club hours from 1730 to 2300 hours every night except dance nights. Bar hours from 1730 to 2230 hours every night except dance nights. (2)

II GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

Meeting of General Court-Martial composed of officers from this headquarters scheduled for a meeting at 0900 hours, Tuesday, 30 January 1945, has been postponed. Members will be notified as to time of next meeting. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

III POSTEXCHANGE HOURS

Officers hours at the Post Exchange are from 1100 hours to 1200 hours each day, except Sundays. It is requested that officers make their purchases during those hours only. (2)

IV EFM MESSAGES

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For rates and conditions, contact the Postal Officer, AG Section, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours daily. (Official AR - AAG) (3)

V FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

96 Officers of this Hq have not yet accomplished certificates re: possession of flying clothing. Those who have not yet done so are urged to report to AG Personnel Section immediately and accomplish same. (Official - TJB - A.G)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 hours -- "Till We Meet Again" with Barbara Britton and Ray Hilland

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

24 January 1945

Vol 2 No 21

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I COURSE OF INSTRUCTION FOR ARMY CLERKS

The Squadron Commander, Headquarters Squadron, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is organizing a course of instruction for army clerks. This course will cover all basic instructions in army administration including typewriting, letter-writing and filing.

This course of instruction will be held each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings, from 1900 to 2100 hours at the headquarters squadron beginning Monday 29 January 1945, and will be available to all enlisted men who are interested in brushing-up on any phase of army administration.

If section heads feel that any personnel within their sections would benefit by a refresher course in administration, they are requested to telephone the names of their selected personnel to the Commanding Officer, headquarters squadron, Ext 662.

Any enlisted man who is interested in attending the course on a voluntary basis can register at the orderly room on or before Sunday, 28 January 1945. (1)

II DANCE

The Officers Dance on Saturday Night will be held in the Mess Hall. Officers are requested to clear the mess by 1915, so that the dance can start at 2030. (1)

III OFFICERS' CLUB

Club hours from 1730 to 2300 hours every night except dance nights. Bar hours from 1730 to 2230 hours every night except dance nights. (3)

IV GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

Meeting of General Court-Martial composed of officers from this headquarters scheduled for a meeting at 0900 hours, Tuesday, 30 January 1945, has been postponed. Members will be notified as to time of next meeting. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

V POST EXCHANGE HOURS

Officers hours at the Post Exchange are from 1100 hours to 1200 hours each day, except Sundays. It is requested that officers make their purchases during these hours only. (3)

VI FLYING CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

96 Officers of this Hq have still not accomplished certificates re: possession of flying clothing!!! (Official - TCK - AG)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hours -- "Dragon Seed" with Katherine Hepburn and Roy Lillard

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
27 January 1945 Vol 2 No 24

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I EMERGENCY

In case of Fire call 23rd General Hospital - Extension 56. (Off TJB AG)(1)

II GUARD ORDERS (G.O. #6)

Some confusion has been caused by various officers not of the guard giving orders to sentinels. If it is desired that sentinels be given any orders in addition to those now in effect, the Headquarters Commandant, who is responsible for the guard, should be consulted. This should not be construed to mean that supplementary orders may not be given to sentinels IN AN EMERGENCY, but in such cases, immediate report must be made to the Headquarters Commandant. (Off TJB AG) (2)

III FOUND

Fountain pen. Owner may recover same by contacting Lt. Hall, A-2. (2)

IV DANCE - EM

Dance Saturday Nite, 27 January 1945, 2000 hours to 2300 hours for WAC's and EM of Hqs, 1st TAC AF at Enlisted Men's Club. Wonderful music - Beauccup beer - lots of heat. Bring your date.

V LAUNDRY

Laundry for officers and enlisted men will be accepted at squadron supply on Thursdays. Clean laundry may be picked up on Mondays. Laundry is handled by a Quartermaster Mobile Laundry Unit. There is no charge for service. (3)

VI DANCE - O's

The Officers Dance on Saturday Night will be held in the Mess Hall. Officers are requested to clear the Mess by 1915, so that the dance can start at 2030. (4)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hours -- "Bride By Mistake" with Alan Marshall and Lorraine Day

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

29 January 1945

Vol 2 No 25

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I On leaving the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) I feel that I would be very remiss if I did not in some way let the personnel on duty at this headquarters know that I appreciate the help they have given me in forming the organization and getting it well under way. Working with little equipment, much below the proper strength and under severe weather conditions every one has put his shoulder to the wheel and helped to make the organization function. My personal thanks and best wishes to you all. I know that you will continue to produce under my successor and help in knocking out the Germans as soon as possible. Goodby and Good luck.

RALPH ROYCE
Major General, USA

II Correspondence, etc., for the signature of the Commanding General will be prepared for signature as follows:

GORDON P SAVILLE
Brigadier General, USA
Commanding

General and Special orders or other papers which carry the name of the Chief of Staff will be prepared showing the following:

C. E. CRUICINE
Colonel, A.C.,
Chief of Staff

III PASSES

For the purpose of security, the First French Army zone is guarded by road-blocks and patrols of non-English speaking personnel. To avoid any inconvenience, on and after 1 February 1945, passes may be secured from the Adjutant General, this headquarters. This applies to all personnel. The boundary of subject zone may be determined by contacting the office of the AG of S A-2, room 127, Hotel Thermes. (Official TJB AG) (1)

IV PROMOTIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force, who desire to promote Privates of the 63rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, are requested to submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Hq & Hq, Squadron, 63rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Thursday, February 1, 1945. Only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made. (1)

V MEDICAL

All military personnel are required to take one tablet of Sulfadiazine daily for a period of thirty days as prophylaxis against upper respiratory diseases. Tablets will be issued at mealtime.

All Officers will submit Immunization records to Station Dispensary for inspection before Monday, February 5, 1945.

VI EMERGENCY

In case of Fire call 23rd General Hospital - Extension 56. (Off TJB AG)
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VII SIGNATURE ON MESSAGES

Effective at once, Messages for electrical transmission will be signed "Saville".

VIII GUARD ORDERS (G.O. #6)

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IX FOUND

Fountain pen. Owner may recover same by contacting Lt. Hall, A-2. (3)

X LAUNDRY

Laundry for officers and enlisted men will be accepted at squadron supply on Thursdays. Clean laundry may be picked up on Mondays. Laundry is handled by a Quartermaster Mobile Laundry Unit. There is no charge for service. (3)

XI LIBRARY THEATER

Tonight at 1900 "Adventures of a Rookie" with Wally Brown & Allen Courtney

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

30 January 1945

Vol 2 No 26

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I Correspondence, etc., for the signature of the Commanding General will be prepared for signature as follows:

GORDON P. SAVILLE
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Commanding.

General and Special orders or other papers which carry the name of the Chief of Staff will be prepared showing the following:

C. E. GOURINE
Colonel, A.C.,
Chief of Staff

All correspondence to subordinate units will carry the command line, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE".

All publications will be, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE. (1)
(Official TJB - A.G.)

II ARMY REGULATIONS

It is requested that the A.C. File Section's book of A.R.'s Volume #3, 95-120 to 410-5 be returned to the A.C. at once. (Official TJB - A.G.) (1)

III PASSES

For the purpose of security, the First French Army zone is guarded by road-blocks and patrols of non-English speaking personnel. To avoid any inconvenience, on and after 1 February 1945, passes may be secured from the Adjutant General, this Headquarters. This applies to all personnel. The boundary of subject zone may be determined by contacting the office of the A.C. of S.A.-2, room 127, Hotel Thermes. (Official TJB A.G.) (2)

IV PROMOTIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force, who desire to promote Privates of the 3rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, are requested to submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Headquarters, Squadron, 3rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Thursday, February 1, 1945. Only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made. (2)

V MEDICAL

All military personnel are required to take one tablet of Sulfadiazine daily for a period of thirty days as prophylaxis against upper respiratory diseases. Tablets will be issued at mealtime.

All Officers will submit Immunization records to Station Dispensary for inspection before Monday, February 5, 1945. (2)

VI EMERGENCY

In case of Fire call 23rd General Hospital - Extension 56. (Off TJB A.G.) (3)

VII SIGNATURE ON MESSAGES

Effective at once, messages for electrical transmission will be signed "Saville". (2)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 "Adventures of a Rookie" with Wally Brown & Allen Courtney

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

31 January 1945

Vol 2 No 27

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I Correspondence, etc., for the signature of the Commanding General will be prepared for signature as follows:

GORDON P. SAVILLE
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Commanding.

General and Special orders or other papers which carry the name of the Chief of Staff will be prepared showing the following:

C. E. CRUICKSHANK
Colonel, A.C.,
Chief of Staff

All correspondence to subordinate units will carry the command line, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE".

All publications will be, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE. (3)"

II LES DANCE CHILLERS!

Tonight at 1800 at the ACO Club. Music in the distinctive tempo of the 923rd Engineer Dance Orchestra. If possible, bring your own slick chick, due to woman-power shortage. French cookies are expected, but don't bank on it--drag along your own "squaw", if possible. This dance for members of all organizations and WAC-a-Voozies.

III PASSES

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IV PROMOTIONS

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V MEDICAL

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VI SIGNATURE OF MESSAGES

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VII AMUSEMENT THEATER

Tonight at 1900 "National Barn Dance" with Robert Benchley

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

1 February 1945

Vol 2 No 28

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I All correspondence to subordinate units will carry the command line, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILE".
All publications will be, "By command of Brigadier General SAVILE". (3)

II COURIER SERVICE

The TACAF Courier now stops at the 86th Air Depot Gr. Passengers and communications can be dispatched daily through the AG Mail & Distribution Section. (Official TJB-AG) (1)

III TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sect 14, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (1)

IV CLERICAL SCHOOL

Fuel has been obtained for the class room, First TACAF Clerical School. Classes will be held according to schedule, beginning promptly at 1900 hours 2 February 1945. Roll call will be taken and report of attendance made to Section Heads concerned. (Official TJB AG) (1)

V JOB SHEETS

All stencils delivered to the AG Publications Section for reproduction must have a job sheet attached. Job sheets are available in AG Publication Section. (1)

VI EFM MESSAGES

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VII PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with AG Publications Section, furnishing thereto a copy of each requisition, marked "Information Copy". (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 "National Barn Dance" with James Quigly and Jean Heather.

IX OFFICERS DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 3 February, in the Officers' Mess, Thornes Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

2 February 1945

Vol 2 No 29

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

General Court-Martial appointed by Paragraph 3, SO #5, Hq. ASC, USSTAF, 11 January 1945, will meet at 10:30 hours Monday, 5 February 1945, in the Day-Room of Hq. Sq. Nouvel Hotel. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

II LONG DISTANCE CALLS

Personnel, upon booking a long distance call with the long distance operator, will keep the long distance operator informed as to what telephone extension they may be reached upon at all times until the call is completed or cancelled. (1)

III G I STAGE SHOW

Sunday evening, 4 February 1945, at 1930 hours Station Special Service presents "Monotone Revue", a rollicking GI stage show for your evening's entertainment at the Alhambra Theatre.

IV SPECIAL SERVICE

Announcement is made of the new location of the Station Special Service Office and Library at 3 Ambroise Bouloumie. All inquiries as to station athletic, recreation and entertainment functions should be made there, or phone extension 137. In order to render a more complete library service, all council books in the hands of station personnel should be returned to the above address, and books of any type are solicited as additions to the library. All station personnel are welcome to use the library facilities. (1)

V OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 3 February, in the Officers' Mess, Thermes Hotel. The Club at the Louvre Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilian employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (2)

VI COURIER SERVICE

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VII TRAINING

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X EFL MESSAGES

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For rates and conditions, contact the Postal Officer, AG Section, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours daily. (Official MR - AG) (2)

XI PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with, AG Publications Section, furnishing thereto a copy of each requisition, marked "Information Copy". (Official - TBE - AG) (2)

XII LIBRARY THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "The Falcon and the Cold" with Tom Convey and Jean Brooks

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

3 February 1945

Vol 2 No 30

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I GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

General Court-Martial appointed by Par 1, SO #19, Hq ASC, USSTAF, 29 Jan 45, instead of (Par 3, SO #5, Hq ASC, USSTAF, 11 Jan 45) will meet at 10:30 hours Monday, 5 February 1945, in the Day-Room of Hq Sq, Nouvel Hotel. (Off - TJB - AG) (2)

II LONG DISTANCE CALLS

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III GI STAGE SHOW

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IV SPECIAL SERVICE

Announcement is made of the new location of the Station Special Service Office and Library at 3 Ambroise Boulevard. All inquiries as to station athletic, recreation and entertainment functions should be made there, or phone extension 137. In order to render a more complete library service, all council books in the hands of station personnel should be returned to the above address, and books of any type are solicited as additions to the library. All station personnel are welcome to use the library facilities. (2)

V OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 3 February, in the Officers' Mess, Thomas Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (3)

VI COURIER SERVICE

The TACAF - USSTAF Courier now stops at the 86th Air Depot Gp. Passengers and communications can be dispatched daily through the AG Mail & Distribution Section. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

VII TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theatre Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theatre. (3)

VIII CLERICAL SCHOOL

Fuel has been obtained for the class room, First TACAF Clerical School. Classes will be held according to schedule, beginning promptly at 1900 hours 2 February 1945. Roll call will be taken and report of attendance made to Section Heads concerned. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

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IX JOB SHEETS

All stencils delivered to the A.G. Publications Section for reproduction must have a job sheet attached. Job Sheets are available in A.G. Publication Section. (3)

X EFL MESSAGES

Facilities are available for the transmission of Expeditionary Force Messages (EFL) and Senders Composition Messages (SCM) to the United States direct from a transmitting station located in this area.

For rates and conditions, contact the Postal Officer, AG Section, from 1000 hours to 1400 hours daily. (Official AF - AG) (3)

XI PUBLICATIONS

All Sections of this headquarters requisitioning publications will first coordinate with, AG Publications Section, furnishing thereto a copy of each requisition, marked "Information Copy". (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

XII AMLEBR. THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "The Falcon and the Cood" with Tom Conway and Joan Brooks.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
5 February 1945

Vol 2 No 31

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I LONG DISTANCE CALLS

Personnel, upon booking a long distance call with the long distance operator, will keep the long distance operator informed as to what telephone extension they may be reached upon at all times until the call is completed or cancelled. (3)

II SPECIAL SERVICE

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III ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "When Strangers Carry" with Dean Jagger and Kim Hunter

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prev.)
6 February 1945 Vol 2 No 32

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I SPECIAL SERVICE

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II DANCE

There will be an EIA's Dance Thursday Night, 8 February 1945, at 2000 hours, in the EIA's Club.

III VOLUNTEERS

Lieutenants who desire to volunteer for duty in the Infantry may submit names to their section chiefs or unit commanders who will cause names to be submitted to A-1 before 1800 on 10 February 1945.

QUALIFICATIONS

Must not be over 37 years of age

Must be in grade of First or Second Lieutenant

Must have had previous training in Infantry or other ground arms or services.

Must volunteer.

These officers volunteering will be given an extended course of Infantry training before assignment to a combat unit. (Official TJE - AG) (1)

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "When Strangers Carry" with Dean Jagger and Kim Hunter

Wednesday

Thursday - "Four Jills in a Jeep" with Kay Francis, Carole Landis, Mitzi Mayfair, Martha Raye.

V CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1830 "Beverly to Broadway" with Jack Oakie and Maria Montez plus 50 Hollywood Stars

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Thursday - "Kismet" with Ronald Colman - Marlene Dietrich

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
7 February 1945 Vol 2 No 33

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0950 on date of publication.

I P X RATION CARDS

The initial issue of P X ration cards for the next eight week period will be made to officers beginning at 0800 hours to 1700 hours on 7 Feb 1945, in the Commandant's Office and will continue daily until Monday 12 Feb 1945. Beginning Tuesday, 13 Feb 1945, the cards will be issued at the Post Exchange. Those officers whose names do not appear on the roster must obtain a statement from Captain WILSON, in the AG Section that they are assigned or attached members of organization at this station. (1) (Official MEM - AAG)

II DANCE

There will be an EM's Dance Thursday night, 8 February 1945, at 2000 hours in the EM's Club.

III VOLUNTEERS

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Must volunteer.

Those officers volunteering will be given an extended course of Infantry training before assignment to a combat unit. (2) (Official TJB - AG)

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Wednesday

Thursday - "Four Jills in a Jeep" with Kay Francis, Carole Landis, Mitzi Mayfair, Martha Raye.

V CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Wednesday

Thursday - "Kismet" with Ronald Coleman, Marlene Dietrich.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
8 February 1945 Vol 2 No 34

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I PX RATION CARDS

The initial issue of PX Ration Cards for the next eight week period will be made to officers beginning at 0800 hours to 1700 hours on 7 February 1945, in the Commandant's Office and will continue daily until Monday 12 February 1945. Beginning Tuesday, 13 February 1945, the cards will be issued at the Post Exchange. Those officers whose names do not appear on the roster must obtain a statement from Captain WILSON, in the AG Section that they are assigned or attached members of organization at this station, (Official Mil. - AG) (2)

II DANCE

There will be an EM's Dance Thursday night, 8 February 1945, at 2000 hours in the EM's Club.

III OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 10 February 1945, in the Officers' Mess, Thermes Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (1)

IV NCO - DANCE

There will be an N.C.O. Dance, Saturday, 10 February 1945, in the Club. Located in the Alhambra Theater Building. N.C.O.'s attending the Dance are requested to bring dates. No male guests to be allowed. (1)

V DANCE ORCHESTRA

There is a Dance Orchestra being formed at this Headquarters; the first meeting will be held at the EM's Club at 1900 hours Friday, 9 February 1945. All those who have dance band experience and are interested in playing should attend. Instruments are available. (1)

VI MONITORING OF PHONE CALLS

A Telephone Monitoring Service has been established over long distance telephone circuits terminating at this headquarters. This Monitoring Service will compile data concerning telephone traffic problems and will report violations of Signal Security.

All Officers are reminded of the serious consequences of unauthorized disclosure of secret and confidential information over insecure communications facilities. (1)

VII VOLUNTEERS

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QUALIFICATIONS

Must not be over 37 years of age.

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Must have had previous training in Infantry or other ground arms or services.

Must volunteer.

Those officers volunteering will be given an extended course of Infantry

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VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "Four Jills in a Jeep" with Kay Francis, Carole Landis,
Mitzi Mayfair, Martha Raye

Friday - "Impatient Years" with Jean Arthur, Lee Bowman, and Charles
Saturday - "Impatient Years" with Jean Arthur, Lee Bowman, and Charles
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IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1830 "Kismet" with Ronald Colman and Marlene Dietrich

Friday - "Laura" with Jean Tierney
Saturday - "Laura" with Jean Tierney

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

9 February 1945

Vol 2 No 35

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I PROCUREMENT

Individuals are requesting the Quartermaster Purchasing and Contracting Officer to procure certain items locally which can, in many cases, be procured through normal supply channels. In the future the requisitions will be submitted through normal supply channels and the Base Section Quartermaster will effect issue from existing depot stocks if available; effect local procurement of the desired item; or authorize requisitioning unit to have item procured locally. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

II PX RATION CARDS

The initial issue of PX Ration Cards for the next eight week period will be made to officers beginning at 0800 hours to 1700 hours on 7 February 1945, in the Commandant's Office and will continue daily until Monday 12 February 1945. Beginning Tuesday, 13 February 1945, the cards will be issued at the Post Exchange. Those officers whose names do not appear on the roster must obtain a statement from Captain WILSON, in the AG Section that they are assigned or attached members of organization at this station. (Official MIA - AAG) (3)

III DANCE ORCHESTRA

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IV OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 10 February 1945, in the Officers' Mess, Thornes Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (2)

V NCO - DANCE

There will be an N.C.O. Dance, Saturday, 10 February 1945, in the Club. Located in the Alhambra Theater Building. N.C.O.'s attending the Dance are requested to bring dates. No male guests to be allowed. (2)

VI MONITORING OF PHONE CALLS

A Telephone Monitoring Service has been established over long distance telephone circuits terminating at this headquarters. This Monitoring Service will compile data concerning telephone traffic problems and will report violations of Signal Security.

All Officers are reminded of the serious consequences of unauthorized disclosure of secret and confidential information over insecure communications facilities. (2)

VII VOLUNTEERS

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Must volunteer.
Those officers volunteering will be given an extended course of Infantry Training before assignment to a combat unit. (Official TJB AG)
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VIII OFFICERS' CLUB

The Board of Governors of the Officers' Club requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Club and Officers' Mess, not be brought into the Club as guests. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "Impatient Years" with Jean Arthur, Lee Bowman, and Charles Coburn
Saturday - Same Show

X CASINO THEATER (SIXTH AVENUE)

Tonight at 1830 "Laura" with Jean Tierney
Saturday - Same Show

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Lieutenant Air Force (Prev.)
10 February 1945 Vol 2 No 36

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I OFFICERS' CLUB SALES

Present Membership and Purchasing Cards of the Officers' Club will be honored at the Bar only until 15 February 1945.

Cards must be presented for redemption in cash or purchases on or before that date.

Cash purchases may be made, effective 10 February 1945. (Off - TGC-AAG)(1)

II PROCUREMENT

Individuals are requesting the Quartermaster Purchasing and Contracting Officer to procure certain items locally which can, in many cases, be procured through normal supply channels. In the future the requisitions will be submitted through normal supply channels and the Base Section Quartermaster will effect issue from existing depot stocks if available; effect local procurement of the desired item; or authorize requisitioning unit to have item procured locally. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

III OFFICERS' DANCE

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IV NCO - DANCE

There will be an N.C.O. Dance, Saturday, 10 February 1945, in the Club. Located in the Alhambra Theater Building. N.C.O.'s attending the Dance are requested to bring dates. No male guests to be allowed. (3)

V MONITORING OF PHONE CALLS

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All Officers are reminded of the serious consequences of unauthorized disclosure of secret and confidential information over insecure communications facilities. (3)

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VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 "Impatient Years" with Jean Arthur, Lee Bowman, and Charles Coburn

IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1830 "Laura" with Jean Tierney

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

13 February 1945

Vol 2 No 38

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I POST EXCHANGE

Contrary to prior notice the Post Exchange will be open on Tuesday 13th February 1945. However, it will be closed for inventory and moving on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and will open in its new location, on the main floor of the Central Hotel, adjacent to the Finance Office, on Saturday 17th February 1945. (1)

II OFFICERS' MESS (1)

Officers on night duty may have sandwiches and coffee from the Officers' Mess between the hours of 2000 and 0100. A signed statement listing the number of Officers on duty will be required. (1)

III OFFICERS' MESS (2)

Reimbursements for meals served to Civilian guests in the Officers' Mess will be made direct to the Mess Officer at the time of serving. (1)

IV OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 17 February 1945, in the Officers' Mess, Thames Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (1)

V OFFICERS' CLUB SALES

Present Membership and Purchasing Cards of the Officers' Club will be honored at the Bar only until 15 February 1945.

Cards must be presented for redemption in cash or purchases on or before that date.

Cash purchases may now be made by all members of the Club. (Off-TOK-AAG)
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VI DANCE

There will be an EM's Dance Thursday Night, 15 February 1945, at 1930 hours in the EM's Club. (2)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Due to non-receipt of the film "Saraboga Trunk", "Christmas Holiday" with Deanna Durbin and Gene Kelly will be shown tonight.

Wednesday - "Take It Or Leave It" with Phil Baker
Thursday

VIII CASINO THEATRE (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1830 "Babes on Swing Street" with Peggy Ryan and Ann Blyth

Wednesday

IX MESSAGES

Originating Officers, when signing Outgoing Messages, will initial all copies of the Message when the typed signature of the signer does not appear thereon. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

14 February 1945

Vol 2 No 39

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

Meeting of General Court-Martial composed of officers from this headquarters is scheduled for a meeting at 10:30 hours, Saturday, 17 February 1945. (Off TJB - AG) (1)

II POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will be closed for inventory and moving on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and will open in its new location, on the main floor of the Central Hotel, adjacent to the Finance Office, on Saturday 17th February 1945. (2)

III OFFICERS' MESS (1)

Officers on night duty may have sandwiches and coffee from the Officers' Mess between the hours of 2400 and 0100. A signed statement listing the number of Officers on duty will be required. (2)

IV OFFICERS' MESS (2)

Reimbursements for meals served to Civilian guests in the Officers' Mess will be made direct to the Mess Officer at the time of serving. (2)

V OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 17 February 1945, in the Officers' Mess, Thomas Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (2)

VI OFFICERS' CLUB SALES

Present Membership and Purchasing Cards of the Officers' Club will be honored at the Bar only until 15 February 1945.

Cards must be presented at the Lorraine Club for redemption in cash or purchases on or before that date. (Off - TCK - AG) (1)

VII DANCE

There will be an EM's Dance Thursday Night, 15 February 1945, at 1930 hours in the EM's Club. (3)

VIII MESSAGES

Originating Officers, when signing Outgoing Messages, will initial all copies of the Message when the typed signature of the signer does not appear thereon. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

IX ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL

There will be an Orchestra Practice tonight in the EM's Club at 1930 hours 14 February 1945.

X ALHAMBRA THEATER

Wednesday - 2:30 Matinee - "Saratoga Trunk" with Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman
1930 USO Show
2030 - "Saratoga Trunk"
Thursday - 1915 "Saratoga Trunk"

XI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY) - Tonight at 1830 "Babes on Swing Street" with Peggy Ryan and Ann Blyth

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

15 February 1945

Vol 2 No 40

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I GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

Meeting of General Court-Martial composed of officers from this headquarters is scheduled for a meeting at 1030 hours, Saturday, 17 February 1945.

II POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will be closed for inventory and moving on Thursday and Friday, and will open in its new location, on the main floor of the Central Hotel, adjacent to the Finance Office, on Saturday 17th February 1945. (3)

III OFFICERS' MESS (1)

Officers on night duty may have sandwiches and coffee from the Officers' Mess between the hours of 2400 and 0100. A signed statement listing the number of Officers on duty will be required. (3)

IV OFFICERS' MESS (2)

Reimbursements for meals served to Civilian guests in the Officers' Mess will be made direct to the Mess Officer at the time of serving. (3)

V OFFICERS' DANCE

There will be an Officers' Dance, Saturday, 17 February 1945, in the Officers' Mess, Thomas Hotel. The Club at the Lorraine Hotel will also be open. Officers attending the dance are requested to bring dates. The Board of Governors requests that French Civilians employed as waitresses in the Officers' Mess, not be brought as guests. (3)

VI OFFICERS' LEAVE

Requests for seven (7) day leaves to United Kingdom by officers of this station will be submitted in letter form, approved by their Section Chief, to the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-1, giving appropriate date leave is desired. (1)

VII OFFICERS' CLUB

TODAY is the last day for redemption of purchase cards at the Officers Club. It is also the day for the monthly ration. The Club will open today at 1500 hours (3:00 o'clock to those who do not use the official method of reading "time")

VIII TRAVEL ORDERS

An increasing number of officers have found that they must have travel orders "at once". The mechanics of the issuance of travel orders are simple - and fairly rapid - but, it is stressed that some advance notice is desired, and, in fact, must be given, as the facilities available to the AG for the preparation of such orders are very limited. It is therefore, requested that heads of divisions or sections submit proper requests for travel orders as far in advance of the time orders are to be effective as may be possible - and in any but emergency cases, at least four hours prior to the time orders are to be effective. (Off - TJB - AG)

IX DANCE

There will be an EM's Dance Tonight, 15 February 1945, at 1930 hours in the EM's Club. (4)

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XI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 - "Scratchy Trunk" with Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman

XII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 2000 - Stage Play - "Barracks of Whimper Street"

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

16 February 1945

Vol 2 No 41

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL

Meeting of General Court-Martial composed of officers from this headquarters is scheduled for a meeting at 1030 hours, Saturday, 17 February 1945.

II POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will be closed for inventory and moving on Friday, and will open in its new location, on the main floor of the Central Hotel, adjacent to the Finance Office, on Saturday 17th February 1945. (h)

III OFFICERS' LEAVE

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IV TRAVEL ORDERS

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V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1915 - "Dough Girls" with Jane Wynn, Ann Sheridan, Alexis Sni
latinee at 1430 Today and Jack Carson

VI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH FLY)

Tonight at 2000 - "Barrecks of Whisper Street" (Stage Play)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
17 February 1945 Vol 2 No 42

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I TRANSPORTATION

Transportation for those personnel leaving for furlough to the U.K. will board transportation in front of the Nouvel Hotel at 1730 hours each night. (1)

II NCO - DANCE

There will be an N.C.O. Dance, Saturday, 17 February 1945, in the Club. Located in the Alhambra Theater Building.

III POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will open in its new location, on the main floor of the Central Hotel, adjacent to the Finance Office, today, 17th February 1945.

IV OFFICERS' LEAVE

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VI CODE LETTER

Correspondence code letter for Director of Disarmament will be PD. Reference Memorandum 10-1, this headquarters dated 1 December 1944.

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Commencing Monday, 19 February 1945, Evening performances at the Alhambra Theater will be at 1900 hours and 2100 hours.

Tonight at 1900 - "Dough Girls" with Jane Bryan, Ann Sheridan, Alexis Smi and Jack Carson

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH FLY)

Tonight at 2000 - "Barracks of Whimper Street" (Stage Play)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

19 February 1945

Vol 2 No 13

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I TRANSPORTATION

Personnel leaving for furlough to the U.K. will board transportation in front of the Nouvel Hotel at 1730 hours each night. (2)

II CODE LETTER

Correspondence code letter for Director of Disarmament will be PD. Reference Memorandum 10-1, this headquarters dated 1 December 1944. (2)

III NCO CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the NCO Club 2000 hours, Tuesday, 20 February 1945 at the Club, new membership cards will be distributed. Visitors will not be admitted until meeting adjourns. (1)

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "My Pal Wolf" with J. Esmond, Shyren Moffit and Wolf Tuesday

V TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)
20 February 1945 Vol 2 No 44

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I FOUND

Pair of G.I. glasses. Owner may have them by calling at the Headquarters Commandant's Office. (1)

II TRANSPORTATION

Personnel leaving for furlough to the U.K. will board transportation in front of the Neuvel Hotel at 1730 hours each night. (3)

III TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

IV CODE LETTER

Correspondence code letter for Director of Disarmament will be PD. Reference Memorandum 10-1, this headquarters dated 1 December 1944. (3)

V NCO CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the NCO Club 2000 hours, Tuesday, 20 February 1945 at the Club, new membership cards will be distributed. Visitors will not be admitted until meeting adjourns. (2)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "My Pal Wolf" with J. Desmond, Skyron Moffit and Wolf
Wednesday - "Take It Or Leave It" with Phil Baker
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Force (Prov.)

21 February 1945

Vol 2 No 45

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I FOUND

1 Pair of G.I. Glasses. Owner may have them by calling at the Headquarters Commandant's Office. (2)

II TRANSPORTATION

Personnel leaving for furlough to the U.K. will board transportation in front of the Nouvel Hotel at 1800 hours each night. (1)

III TRAINING

In compliance with TD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

IV DANCE

There will be a dance given at El's Club Thursday Evening, 22 February 1945, at 2000 hours.

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Take It Or Leave It" with Phil Baker.
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VI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1830 - "Secret Command" with Pat O'Brien and Carole Lombard.

VII DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 24 February, from 2030 to 2400 hrs. Officers are urged to bring dancing-partners. In accordance with present policy in the Zone of Interior, the Club will close promptly at 2400 hrs on that night.

VIII CONSERVATION OF PAPER

Extracts of Sec III, Cir 9, ETO, 25 January 1945, are quoted for compliance by all Staff Sections.

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2. The critical shortage of paper in the theater makes essential the utmost economy in its use. Specifically:

- Both sides of bond correspondence paper will be used, in preparing both letters and indorsements.
- When small size stationery is available and the addition of indorsements is not expected, it will be used in preference to normal letter-size paper for writing short letters.
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- d. Used envelopes will be re-used, so far as possible, by re-sealing and re-addressing. All previous addresses must be carefully obliterated, so that the postal authorities will have no trouble in discerning the current address. Gummed re-labeling stickers will be found useful and may be obtained by requisition submitted through normal stationery supply channels.
- e. The practice of forwarding informal intra-headquarters routing slips in multiple copies will be discontinued, when practicable.
- f. Waste paper will be saved for re-processing, unless destruction is required for security reasons.
- g. Requests for printing, and other multiple copy reproduction, will be carefully screened for operational necessity, conciseness, and minimum quantity. (AG 462 BGC.)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov.)

22 February 1945

V. 1 2 No. 46

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I TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (Official TJB - AG) (4)

II DANCE

There will be a dance given at the EW's Club Tonight, 22 February 1945, at 2000 hours.

III DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 24 February, from 2030 to 2400 hrs. Officers are urged to bring dancing-partners. In accordance with present policy in the Zone of Interior, the Club will close promptly at 2400 hrs on that night. (2)

IV NCO CLUB DANCE

There will be a dance given at the NCO Club Saturday Evening, 24 February 1945, at 2000 hours.

V CONSERVATION OF PAPER

Extracts of Sec III, Cir 9, WFO, 25 January 1945, are quoted for compliance by all Staff Sections.

2. The critical shortage of paper in the theater makes essential the utmost economy in its use. Specifically:
- Both sides of bond correspondence paper will be used, in preparing both letter and indorsements.
 - When small size stationery is available and the addition of indorsements is not expected, it will be used in preference to normal letter-size paper for writing short letters.
 - Wherever practicable, in preparing publications and directives to be reproduced in multiple copies:
 - Minimum margins will be used.
 - Both sides of the paper will be used.
 - Text will be closely typed, single-spaced.
 - Both sides of a short sheet will be used rather than oneside, only, of a full size sheet.

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Take It Or Leave It" with Phil Baker.
Friday - "Sing Out the Blues" with Bob Hanes and Lynn Herrick
Saturday

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - Stage Show - "Yankee Jubilee"
Friday - "Rationing" with Wallace Deery
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

23 February 1945

Vol 2 No. 47

I General ROBERT M. WEBSTER has assumed command of this Air Force. Consequently correspondence will, effective this date, be prepared for signature "By command of Major General WEBSTER"

II ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT

1. All units of Special Troops desiring replacement on major ordnance items, such as air compressors, battery chargers, binoculars, etcetera, will present these items, with a tally-in, to the 3400th Ord Medium Auto Maint Company. Each tally must have a certificate showing that this item was worn out through "fair wear and tear," or that a report of survey has been initiated, or that payment has been made on a "Statement of Charges."

2. Requisitions for the items to be replaced will be made on Ordnance Supply Service, COMAD, giving the phone number of requisitioning unit, the T/O & E as authority, and a copy of signed tally-in as basis for the replacement. In addition, a certificate similar to the one shown on tally-in must also be placed on the face of the requisition.

III DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 24 February, from 2030 to 2400 hrs. Officers are urged to bring dancing-partners. In accordance with present policy in the Zone of Interior, the Club will close promptly at 2400 hrs on that night. (3)

IV NCO CLUB DANCE

There will be a dance given at the NCO Club Saturday Evening, 24 February 1945, at 2000 hours.

V CONSERVATION OF PAPER

Extracts of Sec III, Cir-9, ETO, 25 January 1945, are quoted for compliance by all Staff Sections.

2. The critical shortage of paper in the theater makes essential the utmost economy in its use. Specifically:

a. Both sides of bond correspondence paper will be used, in preparing both letter and intercoms.

b. When small size stationery is available and the addition of intercoms is not expected, it will be used in preference to normal letter-size paper for writing short letters.

c. Wherever practicable, in preparing publications and directives to be reproduced in multiple copies:

- (1) Minimum margins will be used.
- (2) Both sides of the paper will be used.
- (3) Text will be closely typed, single-spaced.
- (4) Both sides of a short sheet will be used rather than outside, only, of a full-size sheet. (3)

VI ALLIANCE THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Swing Out the Blues" with Bob Harris and Lynn Herrick
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VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Actioning" with Wallace Berry
&
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

24 February 1945

Vol 2 No. 48

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I General ROBERT L. WEBSTER has assumed command of this Air Force. Consequently correspondence will, effective this date, be prepared for signature "by command of Major General WEBSTER"

II ORDNANCE EQUIPMENT

Instructions given in item "Ordnance Equipment" in Headquarters Bulletin of 23 February will be disregarded by Air Force personnel, as it applies only to 6th Army Group Special Troops Units.

III DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, Saturday, 24 February, from 2030 to 2400 hrs. Officers are urged to bring dancing partners. In accordance with present policy in the Zone of Interior, the Club will close promptly at 2400 hrs on that night. (L)

IV NCO CLUB DANCE

There will be a dance given at the NCO Club Saturday Evening, 24 February 1945, at 2000 hours.

V NEW POST EXCHANGE RATION WEEK

In order to comply with Army Exchange directives, the Post Exchange Ration Week will be from Monday through the following Saturday of each week. This ration period will take effect Monday, 26 February 1945. However, to take care of personnel caught without supplies on hand, this Saturday only personnel may draw their next week ration. Hereafter, advance sales will not take place, i.e., no sales will be made prior to Monday of the sales week. For the week ending 3rd March, only two (2) extra packages of cigarettes will be sold to personnel to make up for Saturday and Sunday rations lost under this change. (L)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Swing Out the Blues" with Bob Haymes and Lynn Kerrick

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Rationing" with Wallace Beery

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

25 February 1945

Vol 2 No 49

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I NET POST EXCHANGE RATION WEEK

In order to comply with Army Exchange directives, the Post Exchange Ration Week will be from Monday through the following Saturday of each week. This ration period will take effect Monday, 26 February 1945. However, to take care of personnel caught without supplies on hand, this Saturday only personnel may draw their next week ration. Hereafter, advance sales will not take place, i.e., no sales will be made prior to Monday of the sales week. For the week ending 3rd March, only two (2) extra packages of cigarettes will be sold to personnel to make up for Saturday and Sunday rations lost under this change. (2)

II DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, Wednesday, 28 February, from 2000 to 2230 hrs. (1)

III CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Take It Or Leave It" with Phil Baker

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "In Society" with Abbot and Castello.
Matinee at 1430 hrs today.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prev.)

27 February 1945

Vol 2 No 50

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I REPRODUCTION

Sections of this headquarters desiring reproduction of charts, forms etc will contact C/O Wall, AG Publications, where work order will be prepared. Under no circumstances will direct contact be made with the Reproduction Division.

The following are the limitations of multilith process and Black & White printing for the information of all concerned.

a. Press Work

1. Maximum size is 19" x 20"
2. Run should be at least 500 copies
3. One color jobs are desirable
4. Copy should be black & white, clean with no spots or folds
5. Paper is of one type only—such as the cover of the telephone directory

b. Black & White

1. Quantity should be a maximum of 25 prints
2. Tracings should be inked
3. Maximum size is 30" on longest dimension
4. If a tracing is not available, copy should be inked (black on white) and not over 2 1/2" by 2 1/2".
5. Paper supply for this process is critical.

It is requested that only essential publications be submitted due to the volume of work being done by the reproduction division. (Off - JH - Asst AG) (1)

II DRIVING OF VEHICLES BY OFFICERS

Officers will drive vehicles only in an emergency, as defined below:

- a. During a trip if driver is taken sick, injured, wounded, killed or dies.
- b. In case of fire.
- c. In case of attack (including such attacks as riot, etc.)
- d. In any case of life or death.
- e. In any special cases, when directed by the Installation Commander (or Unit Commander for separated units) where the need is urgent, and is for the good of the government. However, in no case, will this be used as an excuse for an officer to drive for personal satisfaction.
- f. Officers in charge of inspection at motor repair shops or on duty at such shops when detailed for the inspection and road test of motor vehicles may drive the particular vehicle, provided a legible sign is suspended on the front of the vehicle showing "ROAD TEST" and name of organization to whom the officer belongs. This qualified permission is applicable to the inspection and testing of motor vehicles only and the promiscuous use of motor vehicles under cover of a road test sign will not be tolerated. (Official Mail - AG) (1)

III LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS

The following units may be reached by calling "Station 183":

- 1930th Ordnance
- 761st Chemical Co.
- 1946th Quartermaster Co.
- 4th Port Intransit Depot

IV POST EXCHANGE RATION WEEK

In order to comply with Army Exchange directives, the Post Exchange Ration Week will be from Monday through the following Saturday of each week. This ration period will take effect Monday, 20 February 1945. However, to take care of

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personnel caught without supplies on hand, this Saturday only personnel may draw their next week ration. Hereafter, advance sales will not take place, i.e., no sales will be made prior to Monday of the sales week. For the week ending 3rd March, only: two (2) extra packages of cigarettes will be sold to personnel to make up for Saturday and Sunday rations lost under this change. (3)

V DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, Wednesday, 28 February, from 2000 to 2230 hrs. (2)

VI AMERICAN THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "In Society" with Abbot and Costello.

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Barbery Coast Gent" with Wallace Beery

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Aviation (Prov)

28 February 1945

Vol 2 No 51

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400 hours and the remainder will arrive at 1500 hours. Roster of each half of the section attending will be given to the Sgt in charge at the Theater. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

II LOST

MAIL BAG CONTAINING OFFICIAL MAIL for the 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. This bag was seen to fall from a truck near the Road Block west of Vittel and be picked up by an American Soldier driving a weapons carrier at about 1630 hours 25 February 1945. Request all units having weapons carriers check drivers and any information obtained be furnished Captain HOKE, 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. (1)

III NCO CLUB DANCE

There will be a dance given at the NCO Club Tonight, 28 February 1945, at 2000 hrs.

IV ENGINEER REPRODUCTION

Sections of this headquarters desiring reproduction of charts, forms etc will contact CWO Wall, AG Publications, where work order will be prepared. Under no circumstances will direct contact be made with the Reproduction Division.

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b. Black & White

1. Quantity should be a maximum of 25 prints
2. Tracings should be inked
3. Maximum size is 30" on longest dimension
4. If a tracing is not available, copy should be inked (black on white) and not over 24" by 24".
5. Paper supply for this process is critical.

It is requested that only essential publications be submitted due to the volume of work being done by the reproduction division. (Off - JHW - AAG) (2)

V All Officers assigned to Hq 63rd Fighter Wing returning from pass, leave, or furlough will report to CO hq and Hq Sq 63rd Fighter Wing upon date of return.

VI DRIVING OF VEHICLES BY OFFICERS

Officers will drive vehicles only in an emergency, as defined below:

- a. During a trip if driver is taken sick, injured, wounded, killed or dies.

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- b. In case of fire.
- c. In case of attack (including such attacks as riot, etc.)
- d. In any case of life or death.
- e. In any special cases, when directed by the Installation Commander (or Unit Commander for separated units) where the need is urgent, and is for the good of the government. However, in no case, will this be used as an excuse for an officer to drive for personal satisfaction.
- f. Officers in charge of inspection at motor repair shops or on duty at such shops when detailed for the inspection and road test of motor vehicles may drive the particular vehicle, provided a legible sign is suspended on the front of the vehicle showing "ROAD TEST" and name of organization to whom the officer belongs. This qualified permission is applicable to the inspection and testing of motor vehicles only and the promiscuous use of motor vehicles under cover of a road test sign will not be tolerated. (Official NII - AAG) (2)

VII LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS

The following units may be reached by calling "Station 183":

1938th Ordnance
761st Chemical Co.
1946th Quartermaster Co.
4th Port Intransit Depot (2)

VIII DANCING

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, Wednesday, 28 February, from 2000 to 2230 hrs. (3)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Rosie the Riveter" with June Fraser and Eddie Albertson

X CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Barbary Coast Gent" with Wallace Beery.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Edition, 1945, Air Force (Prev.)

1 March 1945

Vol 2 No 52

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE TRAFFIC

Long distance telephone traffic over lines of this headquarters is increasing, both in number of calls and also in length of conversations. A recent analysis of some of these calls revealed that subjects other than official business, represent 50% of the conversation time. Such abuse of speech circuits restricts their use greatly, causing delays that should not normally exist. Attention is directed to instructions in front of Telephone Directory this Headquarters. (1)

II COURIER RUNS

Passengers will be carried on courier runs providing space is available. No deviations will be made from established routes or schedules. (1)

III OFFICERS

All Officers assigned to Hq 63rd Fighter Wing returning from pass, leave, or furlough will report to CO Hq and Hq Sq 63rd Fighter Wing upon date of return.

IV DRIVING OF VEHICLES BY OFFICERS

(Quoted from Section IX Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles, Hq, ETOUSA, 24 January 1944)

Officers will drive vehicles only in an emergency, as defined below:

- a. During a trip if driver is taken sick, injured, wounded, killed or dies.
- b. In case of fire.
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- d. In any case of life or death.
- e. In any special cases, when directed by the Installation Commander (or Unit Commander for separated units) where the need is urgent, and is for the good of the government. However, in no case, will this be used as an excuse for an officer to drive for personal satisfaction.
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V LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS

The following units may be reached by calling "Station 183":

1930th Ordnance
761st Chemical Co.
1946th Quartermaster Co.
4th Port Intransit Depot (3)

VI TRAINING

In compliance with WD Circular No 360, 5 Sept 44, training and orientation lectures will be delivered at the Alhambra Theater Thursday of each week from 1400 to 1600 hours. Chiefs of Sections will insure that all personnel within their section will attend. Half of any section will arrive not later than 1400

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(Official TJB - AG) (2)

VII LOST

MAIL BAG CONTAINING OFFICIAL MAIL for the 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. This bag was seen to fall from a truck near the Road Block west of Vittel and be picked up by an American Soldier driving a weapons carrier at about 1630 hours 25 February 1945. Request all units having weapons carriers check drivers and any information obtained be furnished Captain HOKE, 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. (2)

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b. Black & White

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3. Maximum size is 30" on longest dimension.
4. If a tracing is not available, copy should be inked (black on white) and not over 24" by 24".
5. Paper supply for this process is critical.

It is requested that only essential publications be submitted due to the volume of work being done by the reproduction division. (Off - JHW - AG) (3)

IX DANCE

Headquarters Squadron First Tactical Air Force, will hold a dance in the Nouvel Hotel Saturday, 3 March 1945, commencing at 2000. Beer and refreshments will be served. (1)

X ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Rosie the Riveter" with June Frazer and Eddie Albertson

XI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Yellow Canary" with Richard Green and Anna Nagle.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

2 March 1945

Vol 2 No 53

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I LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE TRAFFIC

Long distance telephone traffic over lines of this headquarters is increasing, both in number of calls and also in length of conversations. A recent analysis of some of these calls revealed that subjects other than official business, represent 50% of the conversation time. Such abuse of speech circuits restricts their use greatly, causing delays that should not normally exist. Attention is directed to instructions in front of Telephone Directory this Headquarters. (2)

II COURIER RUNS

Passengers will be carried on courier runs providing space is available. No deviations will be made from established routes or schedules. (2)

III OFFICERS

All Officers assigned to Hq 63rd Fighter Wing returning from pass, leave, or furlough will report to CO Hq and Hq Sq 63rd Fighter Wing upon date of return. (3)

IV LOST

MAIL BAG CONTAINING OFFICIAL MAIL for the 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. This bag was seen to fall from a truck near the Road Block west of Vittel and be picked up by an American Soldier driving a weapons carrier at about 1630 hours 25 February 1945. Request all unitshaving weapons carriers check drivers and any information obtained be furnished Captain HOKE, 923rd Engineer Aviation Regiment. (3)

V ENGINEER REPRODUCTION

Sections of this headquarters desiring reproduction of charts, forms etc will contact CWO Wall, AG Publications, where work order will be prepared. Under no circumstances will direct contact be made with the Reproduction Division.

The following are the limitations of multilith process and Black & White printing for the information of all concerned.

a. Press Work

1. Maximum size is 19" x 20".
2. Run should be at least 500 copies
3. One color jobs are desirable.
4. Copy should be black & white, clean with no spots or folds.
5. Paper is of one type only-such as the cover of the telephone directory.

b. Black & White

1. Quantity should be a maximum of 25 prints.
2. Tracings should be inked.
3. Maximum size is 30" on longest dimension.
4. If a tracing is not available, copy should be inked (black on white) and not over 24" by 24".
5. Paper supply for this process is critical.

It is requested that only essential publications be submitted due to the volume of work being done by the reproduction division. (Off - JHW - AAG) (4)

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VI DANCE

Headquarters Squadron First Tactical Air Force, will hold a dance in the Nouvel Hotel Saturday, 3 March 1945, commencing at 2000. Beer and refreshments will be served. (2)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Pistol Packing Lena" with Ruth Terry and Bob Livingston

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Yellow Canary" with Richard Green and Anna Nagle.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

3 March 1945

Vol 2 No 54

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I DANCING

There will be dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, tonight at 2030 until 2400, 3 March 1945. The Board of Governors desires that only "Class A" uniform, or woolen field jackets, be worn and also requests that male guests be kept to a minimum due to space limitations.

II SPECIAL COURT-MARTIAL

The Special Court-Martial appointed by paragraph 1, Special Orders No 54, this headquarters, dated 27 February 1945, will convene at 0930 hours, on Monday, 5 March 1945, in the Day Room of Hq Sq, First Tactical Air Force, at the Nouvel Hotel. (Official TJB-AG) (1)

III LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE TRAFFIC

Long distance telephone traffic over lines of this headquarters is increasing, both in number of calls and also in length of conversations. A recent analysis of some of these calls revealed that subjects other than official business, represent 50% of the conversation time. Such abuse of speech circuits restricts their use greatly, causing delays that should not normally exist. Attention is directed to instructions in front of Telephone Directory this Headquarters. (3)

IV COURIER RUNS

Passengers will be carried on courier runs providing space is available. No deviations will be made from established routes or schedules. (3)

V LOST

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VI DANCE

Headquarters Squadron First Tactical Air Force, will hold a dance in the Nouvel Hotel Saturday, 3 March 1945, commencing at 2000. Beer and refreshments will be served. (3)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Pistol Packing Mama" with Ruth Terry and Bob Livingston

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Bride by Mistake" with Lorraine Day and Alen Marshal

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

5 March 1945

Vol 2 No 55

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I OFFICERS' CLUB

There will be music at the Lorraine Club Wednesday, 7 March 1944, from 2000 to 2230. Dancing will be optional.

II CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence usually prepared for signature of Colonel T. J. Brogan will be prepared for signature of Lt. Col. Neil H. Latzger, AGD, until 9 Mar 45.

III ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Air Force Varieties" Stage Play
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IV CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Four Jills in a Jeep" with Dick Haymes, Carol Landis
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Mattinee every day this week at 1400 hrs.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

6 March 1945

Vol 2 No 56

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I TRAINING

The orientation lecture scheduled for each Thursday afternoon for enlisted personnel of Headquarters Squadron, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is suspended until further notice, as the subject matter is being covered in the current training program which the squadron is undergoing. (1)

II OFFICERS' RATION CARDS

A European Theater of Operations Male Officers' Uniform, Clothing and accessory RATION CARD will be issued to all male officers on duty with this headquarters. Ration cards will be issued at the Adjutant General's Personnel Section. Officers must hold a ration card to buy clothing, uniforms or accessories in all U.S. Army clothing exchanges.

Each Officer will be required to call for his own card as all cards must be receipted for individually. (1)

III OFFICERS' CLUB

There will be music at the Lorraine Club Wednesday, 7 March 1945, from 2000 hrs to 2230 hrs. Dancing will be optional. (2)

IV ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Air Force Varieties" Stage Play.

V CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Four Jills in a Jeep" with Dick Haynes, Carol Landis

Matinee every day this week at 1400 hrs.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

7 March 1945

Vol 2 No 57

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I TRAINING

The orientation lecture scheduled for each Thursday afternoon for enlisted personnel of Headquarters Squadron, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is suspended until further notice, as the subject matter is being covered in the current training program which the squadron is undergoing. (2)

II OFFICERS' RATION CARDS

A European Theater of Operations Male Officers' Uniform, Clothing and accessory RATION CARD will be issued to all male officers on duty with this headquarters. Ration cards will be issued at the Adjutant General's Personnel Section. Officers must hold a ration card to buy clothing, uniforms or accessories in all U.S. Army clothing exchanges.

Each Officer will be required to call for his own card as all cards must be receipted for individually. (2)

III ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Knickerbocker Holiday" with Nelson Eddy and Constance Moore
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IV CASINO THEATER (SIXTH AVE)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Take Your Own Bed" with Jane Bryan
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Matinee everyday this week starting at 1400 hrs.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
8 March 1945 Vol 2 No 58

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I TRAINING

The orientation lecture scheduled for each Thursday afternoon for enlisted personnel of Headquarters Squadron, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is suspended until further notice, as the subject-matter is being covered in the current training program which the squadron is undergoing. (3) (Official - TJB - AG)

II OFFICERS' RATION CARDS

A European Theater of Operations Issue Officers' Uniform, Clothing and accessory RATION CARD will be issued to all male officers on duty with this headquarters. Ration cards will be issued at the Adjutant General's Personnel Section. Officers must hold a ration card to buy clothing, uniforms or accessories in all U.S. Army clothing exchanges.

Each Officer will be required to call for his own card as all cards must be receipted for individually. (3) (Official TJB - AG)

III POST LIBRARY

The post library is now located in the Central Hotel Ball-Room. The library is for the convenience of all Officers and Enlisted men of this headquarters for reading, and study, and a quiet place to write letters. Library hours are from 1300 hours to 2245 daily. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

IV DANCE

There will be a dance at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 10 March 1945, from 2000 to 2400 hrs. Officers attending are urged to bring dancing-partners. The Club will close promptly at midnight. (1)

V LCST

Severe losses in irreplaceable beer bottles have resulted from the practice of personnel carrying them away from the Enlisted Men's Club. It is requested that all bottles be returned to the Enlisted Men's Club as soon as possible. (1)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Knickerbocker Holiday" starring Nelson Eddy and Constance Moore

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Take Your Own Bed" starring Jane Bryan and Jack Carson

Latinee this week starting at 1400 hrs.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

9 March 1945

Vol 2 No 59

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I PASSES

Sixth Army Group Passes now held by members of this command, authorizing entrance into 6th AG HQ, will be void after 21 March 1945, and should be turned in to A.G. Office immediately thereafter.

Requests for new 6th AG passes will be submitted to A-2 Section, First TACAF. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

II LOST

One brown Parker mechanical pencil, on the 2d floor of the Thomas Hotel, after 1300 hours, 7 March 1945. Finder please call A.G. Office, Ext 7. (1)

III "SEDAH" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Wednesday evening 28 March 1945 in the "Hotel Beau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662. (1)

IV POST LIBRARY

The post library is now located in the Central Hotel Ball-Room. The library is for the convenience of all Officers and Enlisted Men of this headquarters for reading, and study, and a quiet place to write letters. Library hours are from 1300 hours to 2245 daily. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

V LOST

Severe losses in irreplaceable beer bottles have resulted from the practice of personnel carrying them away from the Enlisted Men's Club. It is requested that all bottles be returned to the Enlisted Men's Club as soon as possible. (2)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Step Lively" with Frank Sinatra and Gloria DeHaven

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 2000 hrs - French Stage Show Review

VIII DANCE

There will be a dance at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 10 March 1945, from 2000 to 2400 hrs. Officers attending are urged to bring dancing-partners. The Club will close promptly at midnight. (2)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

10 March 1945

Vol 2 No 60

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0730 on date of publication.

I LOST

A B-11 jacket was lost in the Officers' Club Friday Night, 9th March, apparently taken by mistake. The pockets contained room keys, gloves, flying glasses and other small items. This jacket, if found, may be left at the Headquarters Commandant's Office.

II PASSES

Sixth Army Group Passes now held by members of this command, authorizing entrance into 6th AG HQ, will be void after 21 March 1945, and should be turned in to A.C. Office immediately thereafter.

Requests for new 6th AG passes will be submitted to A-2 Section, First TACAF. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

III LOST

One brown Parker mechanical pencil, on the 2d floor of the Thermes Hotel, after 1300 hours, 7 March 1945. Finder please call A.C. Office, Ext 7. (2)

IV "SEDAR" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Esau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662. (2)

V POST LIBRARY

The post library is now located in the Central Hotel Ball-Room. The library is for the convenience of all Officers and Enlisted Men of this headquarters for reading, and study, and a quiet place to write letters. Library hours are from 1300 hours to 2245 daily. (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

VI LOST

Severe losses in irreplaceable beer bottles have resulted from the practice of personnel carrying them away from the Enlisted Men's Club. It is requested that all bottles be returned to the Enlisted Men's Club as soon as possible. (3)

VII DANCE

There will be a dance at the Lorraine Officers' Club Saturday, 10 March 1945, from 2000 to 2400 hrs. Officers attending are urged to bring dancing-partners. The Club will close promptly at midnight. (3)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 hrs - "Stop Lively" starring Frank Sinatra and Gloria DeHaven

IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 2000 hrs - "French Stage Show Review"

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

12 March 1945

Vol 2 No 61

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I DISCUSSION

All officers assigned or attached to this headquarters (except those who attended the meeting in WAR ROOM 1600 hours Saturday need not attend) will remain in the mess hall after the evening meal Monday 12 March 1945 for a short discussion.

II CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence prepared for the signature of the Adjutant General or one of his Assistants will omit the insertion of the date. The date will be stamped on correspondence by the AG Mail and Distribution Section. (Official TJB - AG)(1)

III FOR SALE

Battle Jacket Size 38 - Colonel Vansant, Ext 8.

IV PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters First Tactical AF (Prov), who desire to promote Privates of the 63rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, will submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Hq & Hq Sq, 63rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Thursday, 15 March 1945. (only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made.)

(1)

V LOST

A B-11 jacket was lost in the Officers' Club Friday Night, 9th March, apparently taken by mistake. The pockets contained room keys, gloves, flying glasses and other small items. This jacket, if found, may be left at the Headquarters Commandant's Office. (2)

VI PASSES

Sixth Army Group Passes now held by members of this command, authorizing entrance into 6th AG area will be void after 21 March 1945, and should be turned in to A.G. Office immediately thereafter.

Requests for new 6th AG passes will be submitted to A-2 Section, First TACAF. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

VII LOST

One brown Parker mechanical pencil, on the 2d floor of the Thames Hotel, after 1300 hours, 7 March 1945. Finder please call A.G. Office, Ext 7. (3)

VIII "SEDER" SERVICE

The traditional "Seder" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Bern Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662.

(3)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER - Tonight at 1900 - "Casanova Brown" Starring Gary Cooper
matinee - 1430 hrs

X CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY) - "The Falcon & The Good" Starring Jean Brooks

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

13 March 1945

Vol 2 No 62

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I CORRESPONDENCE (CORRECTED NOTICE)

All correspondence prepared in this headquarters, either basic communications or indorsements, will leave a blank space in the heading for the insertion of date. Date will be entered on all copies in the Adjutant General's Section, after signature, and prior to transmission. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

II FOR SALE

Battle Jacket Size 38-Colonel Vansant, Ext 8. (2)

III PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters First Tactical AF (Prov), who desire to promote Privates of the 63rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, will submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Hq & Hq Sq, 63rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Thursday, 15 March 1945. (Only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made.) (Official TJB - AG)

IV LOST

A B-11 jacket was lost in the Officers' Club Friday Night, 9th March apparently taken by mistake. The pockets contained room keys, gloves, flying glasses and other small items. This jacket, if found, may be left at the Headquarters Commandant's Office. (3)

V "SEDAR" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Beau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Mens' Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662. (4)

VI LITHOGRAPH STENCILS

Stencils submitted to AG Publications have not been properly cut. Typewriters have not been cleaned at frequent intervals and type is clogged with stencil wax. Present stock of stencils is very waxy.

It is requested that in the future, greater care be taken in cutting stencils. Those not properly cut will be returned to originating section for correction. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Casanova Brown" starring Gary Cooper

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Strategic Trunk" starring Gary Cooper, Ingrid Bergman

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

14 March 1945

Vol 2 No 63

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I CORRESPONDENCE (COMPOSITE) NOTICE

All correspondence prepared in this headquarters, either basic communications or indorsements, will leave a blank space in the heading for the insertion of date. Date will be entered on all copies in the Adjutant General's Section, after signature, and prior to transmission. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

II FOR SALE

Battle Jacket Size 38-Colonel Vansant, Ext 8. (3)

III PROMOTION RECOMMENDATIONS

All Section Chiefs of Headquarters First Tactical AF (Prov), who desire to promote Privates of the 63rd Fighter Wing, on duty in their sections, to Private First Class, will submit such recommendations to the Commanding Officer, Hq 2 Hq Sq, 63rd Fighter Wing, before 1700 hours, Thursday, 15 March 1945. (Only recommendations for promotion to Private First Class will be made.) (Off - TJB-AG) (3)

IV OFFICERS' CLUB

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, tonight and Thursday night until 2230 hours and on Saturday night until midnight.

V "SEDAR" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Beau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662. (5)

VI CORRESPONDENCE

Communications previously prepared for signature by Lt Col Latzger will hereafter be prepared for signature of Colonel Brogan or Major Kronberg. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

VII LITHOGRAPH STENCILS

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It is requested that in the future, greater care be taken in cutting stencils. Those not properly cut will be returned to originating section for correction. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Saratoga Trunk" starring Gary Cooper, Ingrid Bergman

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Marriage is a Private Affair" starring Lana Turner

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

15 March 1945

Vol 2 No 64

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I OFFICERS' CLUB

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, tonight from 2000 hours until 2430 hours and on Saturday night until midnight.

II "SEDAR" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Beau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Neuvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman at Ext 662.

III CORRESPONDENCE

Communications previously prepared for signature by Lt Col Matager will hereafter be prepared for signature of Colonel Brogan or Major Kronberg. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

IV LITHOGRAPH STENCILS

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It is requested that in the future, greater care be taken in cutting stencils. Those not properly cut will be returned to originating section for correction. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

V POST EXCHANGE RATION CARD

A new post exchange ration card will be used beginning Monday, 19 March 1945. All officers of this headquarters will draw PX ration cards from the unit to which assigned not from the PX. It is suggested that this be done prior to Monday. (Official- TJB - AG) (1)

VI NCO CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the NCO Club Thursday 15 March 1945, at 1930 hours for the reflection of officers. Visitors will not be admitted until meeting adjourns.

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Saratoga Trunk" starring Gary Cooper, Ingrid Bergman

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Marriage is a Private Affair" starring Lana Turner

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

16 March 1945

Vol 2 No 65

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I OFFICERS' CLUB

There will be music for dancing at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, on Saturday night from 2000 hours until midnight.

II "SEDAR" SERVICE

The traditional "Sedar" Passover Service will be observed on Thursday evening 29 March 1945 in the "Hotel Beau Site", Headquarters 6th Army Group at 1930 hours. All who are able to attend are requested to sign the rosters on the Officers' Bulletin Board and on the Enlisted Men's Bulletin Board in the Nouvel Hotel, so that proper seating and feeding arrangements can be made.

Personnel desiring further information may contact Lt Hoffman At Ext 662.

III CORRESPONDENCE

Communications previously prepared for signature by Lt Col Matzger will hereafter be prepared for signature of Colonel Brogan or Major Kronberg. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

IV POST EXCHANGE RATION CARD

A new post exchange ration card will be used beginning Monday, 19 March 1945. All officers of this headquarters will draw PX ration cards from the unit to which assigned not from the PX. It is suggested that this be done prior to Monday. (Official - TJB - AG)(2)

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Stars On Parade" starring Larry Parks & Lynn Horrick

VI CANTON THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Greenwich Village" starring Carmin Miranda

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

17 March 1945

Vol 2 66

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I A limited supply of Pilots Information Files (complete through Revision #14) and Navigators Information Files (no Revisions) are now available to rated personnel desiring them. Phone Director of Maintenance. (1)

II POST EXCHANGE RATION CARD

A new post exchange ration card will be used beginning Monday, 19 March 1945. All officers of this headquarters will draw PX ration cards from the unit to which assigned, not from the PX. It is suggested that this be done prior to Monday. (Official - TJB - AC) (3)

III OFFICERS' CLUB DANCE

There will be a dance at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, tonight, 17 March 1945, from 2000 hours until midnight.

IV MAILING OF PARCELS BY UNLISTED PERSONNEL

All parcels mailed by enlisted personnel and censored by officers in the section will be taken to the Headquarters Mail Room for application of unit censor stamp prior to taking to the APO for mailing.

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Stars On Parade" starring Larry Parks, Lynn Merrick

VI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Greenwich Village" starring Carmen Miranda

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

20 March 1945

Vol 2 No 63

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I MILITARY TRAINING

Afternoon period of military training of personnel of Hq Sq First Tac AF (P) is suspended until further notice. (Official TJB - AG)

II A limited supply of Pilots Information Files (complete through Revision #14) and Navigators Information Files (no Revisions) are now available to rated personnel desiring them. Phone Director of Maintenance. (3)

III MESSAGE FORMS

Red-Bordered Message Forms may now be procured at AG Publications Division. (2)

IV MAILING OF PARCELS BY ENLISTED PERSONNEL

All parcels mailed by enlisted personnel and censored by officers in the section will be taken to the Headquarters Mail Room for application of unit censor stamp prior to taking to the APO for mailing. (Official AR - AAG) (3)

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "To Have Or Have Not" starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall

VI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Destiny" starring Gloria Jean

VII HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1900 "Fall In The Saddle" starring John Wayne & Ella Raines

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I Correspondence emanating from Service Command will be prepared for signature as follows:

NEIL L. LATZGER
Lt Col., AGD
Adjutant General (1)

II TELETYPE FORMS

Teletype Forms for use by this headquarters are available at AG Cables Section, and obsolete forms will be turned in. (Official M.I. - AG) (1)

III CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence emanating from Service Command will be headed "I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)". The word First spelled out, will not be used. (Official M.I. - AG) (1)

IV MAILING ADDRESS

All personnel of the Headquarters and the Headquarters Squadron I TACAF SvC (Prov) will advise correspondents of their new correct address immediately. (Official M.I. - AG) (1)

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V The Hq & Hq Sq, I TACAF Svc (Prov) is located on the 5th floor of the Nouvel Hotel. All Officers and enlisted men reporting for duty with the Hq & Hq Sq Service Command will sign in at the Hqs. Sq. Orderly Room. Officers and enlisted men of Hq & Hq Sq will sign out at the Service Command Orderly Room.

All enlisted men absentee reports will be made daily to the Hqs. Sq., Service Command.

Until a physical separation, Service Command personnel will continue to use the same mess, supply and mail facilities as the Headquarters Squadron, I TACAF.
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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
21 March 1945 *Hit* (3) Vol 2 No 69

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I MILITARY TRAINING

Afternoon period of military training of personnel of Hq Sq First Tac AF (P) is suspended until further notice. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

II MESSAGE FORMS

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III MEMORANDUM DRAFTS

Drafts of Numbered Memoranda submitted to the AG for approval will be cleared thru the Publications Section, (CJO Wall,) for correct form. No action will be taken by the Adjutant General on such drafts until so cleared. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IV OFFICERS' CLUB TONIGHT - Dance Music

V ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Tall In The Saddle" starring John Wayne & Ella Raines

VI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "To Have Or Have Not" starring Lauren Bacall & Humphrey Bogart

VII HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "None But The Lonely Heart" starring Carry Grant & Ethyl Barrymore

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Adjutant General

(2)

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VI ALL OFFICERS OF FIRST TROPICAL AIR FORCE

Applications are being accepted in A-1 Section for volunteers for Infantry Refresher Training. Officers must possess the following qualifications:

1. Not over 36 years of age.
2. Grade of 1st or 2nd Lieutenant
3. Physically qualified for general assignment
4. Some previous training in ground arms or services
5. Must volunteer for combat infantry assignments.

VII LOST

From billet on Rue de Fougères, one B-13 battle-jacket. Finder turn in to Hq Comdt's Office. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

22 March 1945

Vol 2 No 70

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I MILITARY TRAINING

Afternoon period of military training of personnel of Hq Sq First Tac AF (P) is suspended until further notice. (Official TJB - AG) (3)

II PASSEOVER SERVICES

On Thursday 29th March 1945 at 1900 hours, there will be Passover Services at the Synagogue.

Immediately following, there will be a Sedar Passover Service at the Beau Site Hotel at 1945 hours. It is requested that all personnel meet at the Synagogue.

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue.

Thursday April 5th 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor)

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III BRIEFING

All who are interested in the progress of the war with Germany are invited to attend the Briefing held in the Library. The Library is located in the Central Hotel, time 2130 hours, 22 March 1945. (1)

IV MEMORANDUM DRAFTS

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V OFFICER VOLUNTEERS FOR INFANTRY

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VII OFFICERS' CLUB

Non Members of the Officers' Club will be admitted only as guests of a bonafide member. Member sponsoring a guest must bear in mind that he is responsible for the appearance and conduct of the guest while in the Club. (1)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Tall In The Saddle" starring John Wayne and Ella Raines

IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARLY)

Tonight at 1900 - "To Have Or Have Not" starring Humphrey Bogart & Lauren Bacall

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Ethyl Barrymore

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I Correspondence emanating from Service Command will be prepared for signature as follows:

NEIL M. NITZGER
Lt Col., AGD
Adjutant General.

(3)

II OFFICE EQUIPMENT FOR HQ SVC SECTIONS

All sections Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command will submit an estimate of office equipment requirements to Hq Supply Officer without delay. (Official MII - AG) (1)

III TELETYPE FORMS

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IV CORRESPONDENCE

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V MAILING ADDRESS

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

23 March 1945

Vol 2 No 71

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I EASTER GREETINGS

It is suggested that those who wish to send Easter Greetings via EM or SCM do so at least before 26 March, and thus insure that the addressees will receive them on or before the desired day. Great numbers of such messages will be received in the United States, the volume being such that delivery will be considerably slower than at other times. (Official AR - AAG) (1)

II PASSOVER SERVICES

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OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

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Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (2)

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5. Must volunteer for combat infantry assignments. (3)

V LOST

From billet on Rue de Fougères, one B-13 battle-jacket. Finder turn in to Hq Comdt's Office. (3)

VI OFFICERS' CLUB

Non-members of the Officers' Club will be admitted only as guests of a bona fide member. Member sponsoring a guest must bear in mind that he is responsible for the appearance and conduct of the guest while in the Club. (2)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "None But The Lonely Heart" starring Carry Grant & Ethyl Barrymore

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARLY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Tall In The Saddle" starring John Wayne & Ella Raines

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SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I OFFICE EQUIPMENT FOR HQ SVC SECTIONS

All sections Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command will submit an estimate of office equipment requirements to Hq Supply Officer without delay. (Official JLT - AAG) (2)

II BLANK FORMS

All units this station will submit immediately to the AG Publications Section a requisition for 30 day supply of all Blank Forms. (Official JHW - AAG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

24 March 1945

Vol 2 No 72

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I EASTER GREETINGS - EFM or SCM

It is suggested that those who wish to send Easter Greetings via EFM or SCM do so at least before 26 March, and thus insure that the addressees will receive them on or before the desired day. Great numbers of such messages will be received in the United States, the volume being such that delivery will be considerably slower than at other times. Messages may be sent through the APO. (Official AR - AAG) (2).

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OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue.

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (3)

III OFFICER VOLUNTEERS FOR INFANTRY

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1. Not over 36 years of age
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3. Physically qualified for general assignment
4. Some previous training in ground arms or services
5. Must volunteer for combat infantry assignments. (4)

IV BLANK FORMS

All units this station will submit immediately to the AG Publications Section a requisition for 30 day supply of all Blank Forms. (Official JHW - AAG) (2)

V POST EXCHANGE COUNCIL

The Post Exchange Council will meet on Tuesday at 1000 hours in the Post Exchange Office which is located on the main floor of the Central Hotel. (1)

VI A night meal for officers on duty between 2400 and 0400 hrs will be served in the Officers' Mess kitchen between 2400 and 0100 hrs. Only those officers actually on duty will be served. (1)

VII OFFICERS' CLUB

Non-members of the Officers' Club will be admitted only as guests of a bona fide member. Member sponsoring a guest must bear in mind that he is responsible for the appearance and conduct of the guest while in the Club. (3)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "Prisoner Benefit Show" (French Civilians)

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IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Hell In The Saddle" starring John Wayne & Ella Raines

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I OFFICE EQUIPMENT FOR HQ SVC SECTIONS

All sections Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command will submit an estimate of office equipment requirements to Hq Supply Officer without delay. (Official JLT - MCG) (3)

II LIST OF OFFICERS

A list of all officers, Hq I TACAF SVC, section duty assignment and telephone extension over which they may be reached will be submitted to AG Personnel Section by 1500 hrs this date. This information necessary for Telephone Directory. (Official JLT - MCG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

26 March 1945

Vol 2 No 73

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I EASTER GREETINGS - EMI or SCH

It is suggested that those who wish to send Easter Greetings via EMI or SCH do so at least before 27 March, and thus insure that the addressees will receive them on or before the desired day. Great numbers of such messages will be received in the United States, the volume being such that delivery will be considerably slower than at other times. Messages may be sent through the APO. (Official AR-AMC) (3)

II PASSOVER SERVICES

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Immediately following, there will be a Seder Passover Service at the Beau Site Hotel at 1945 hours. It is requested that all personnel meet at the Synagogue.

OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue.

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yiskor) (4)

III BLANK FORMS

All units this station will submit immediately to the AG Publications Section a requisition for 30 day supply of all Blank Forms. (Official JMW-AMC) (3)

IV POST EXCHANGE COUNCIL

The Post Exchange Council will meet on Tuesday at 1000 hours in the Post Exchange Office which is located on the main floor of the Central Hotel. (2)

V OFFICERS ON DUTY

A night meal for officers on duty between 2400 and 0400 hrs will be served in the Officers' Mess kitchen between 2400 and 0100 hrs. Only those officers actually on duty will be served. (2)

VI ALLIANCE THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW" Starring Edward G. Robinson
Joan Bennett

VII CASINO THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "RHAPSODY IN BLUE" Starring Joan Leslie and Robert Alda

VIII HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THIN MAN GOES HOME" Starring William Powell and
Ilyna Loy

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prev)

27 March 1945

Vol 2 No 74

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I. PASSOVER SERVICES

On Thursday 29th March 1945 at 1900 hours, there will be Passover Service at the Synagogue.

Immediately following, there will be a Seder Passover Service at the Beau Site Hotel at 1945 hours. It is requested that all personnel meet at the Synagogue.

OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue.

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (5)

II. OFFICERS ON DUTY

A night meal for officers on duty between 2400 and 0400 hrs will be served in the Officers' Mess kitchen between 2400 and 0100 hrs. Only those officers actually on duty will be served. (3)

III. THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW" Starring Edward G. Robinson
Joan Bennett

IV. CASINO THEATER (SIXTH AVE)

Tonight at 1900 - "Rhapsody in Blue" Starring Joan Leslie & Robert Alda

V. HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THINKER GOES HOME" Starring Myrna Loy & William Powell

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

28 March 1945

Vol 2 No 75

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I PASSOVER SERVICES

On Thursday 29th March 1945 at 1900 hours, there will be Passover Service at the Synagogue.

Immediately following, there will be a Sedar Passover Service at the Beau Site Hotel at 1945 hours. It is requested that all personnel meet at the Synagogue.

OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue.

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (6)

II ANNOUNCEMENT OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES. (CATHOLIC)

The Mission conducted by Father Patton will close this evening at 1930 hrs.

HOLY THURSDAY - Mass at 1000 Hours.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day, followed by Benediction at 1930 Hr

GOOD FRIDAY - Stations of the Cross at 1500 Hours and 1700 Hours.

ALL ARE WELCOME

PROTESTANT

HOLY THURSDAY - General worship 1930 hours

GOOD FRIDAY - Services from 1300 to 1500 Hours.

III PROGRESS OF THE WAR LECTURE

There will be a lecture on the progress of the war Wednesday night at 21:30. Everyone is urged to attend. The lecture will be held in the library in the Central Hotel.

IV ORIENTATION LECTURE

There will be an orientation lecture every Thursday afternoon at 1400 and 1500 hours in the Alhambra theater. Attendance is compulsory for both Officers and Enlisted Men. Rosters will be turned in by the Section Chiefs. It will be their responsibility to see that every one attends. The first lecture will be held Thursday March 29, 1945. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

V OFFICERS' CALL STORE

Effective 28 March 1945 an Officers' Call Store for 1st TACAF Officers will open at 54 Rue de Verdun directly across from the "Officers' Club". Laundry, Dry Cleaning and Shoes for Repair may be turned in daily between 0800 and 1700. (1)

VI POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will be closed Saturday 31 March 1945, for the monthly inventory.

VII OFFICERS' CLUB TONIGHT - Dance music

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VIII WARNING

All personnel, this Headquarters, are warned that the placing of unexploded ammunition in the incinerator may result in serious injury, if not death, to some member of this Headquarters. (1)

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THIN MAN GOES HOME" Starring William Powell and Iryna Loy.

X CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "Song to Remember" starring Harle Oboron & Paul Juni

XI HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1930 - "HI BEAUTIFUL" Starring Martha Driscoll

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

29 March 1945

Vol 2 No 76

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I PASSOVER SERVICES

On Thursday 29th March 1945 at 1900 hours, there will be Passover Service at the Synagogue.

Immediately following, there will be a Seder Passover Service at the Beau Site Hotel at 1945 hours. It is requested that all personnel meet at the Synagogue.

OTHER PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (7)

II ANNOUNCEMENT OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES (CATHOLIC)

HOLY THURSDAY - Mass at 1000 hours

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day, followed by Benediction at 1930 hours

GOOD FRIDAY - Stations of the Cross at 1500 hours and 1700 hours.

ALL ARE WELCOME

PROTESTANT

HOLY THURSDAY - General worship 1930 hours

GOOD FRIDAY - Services from 1300 to 1500 hours.

(2)

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V POST EXCHANGE

The Post Exchange will be closed Saturday 31 March 1945, for the Monthly Inventory. (2)

VI WARNING

All personnel, this Headquarters, are warned that the placing of unexploded ammunition in the incinerator may result in serious injury, if not death, to some member of this Headquarters. (2)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "THIN LIZ GOES HOME" Starring Lynne Loy and William Powell

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VIII. CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "SONG TO REMEMBER" Starring Merle Oberon & Paul Hani

IX. HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1930 - "HI BEAUTIFUL" Starring Martha Dressell

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prev)

30 March 1945

Vol 2 No 77

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I PASSOVER SERVICES

Friday March 30th - 10:30 AM at the Synagogue

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: This service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (8)

II ANNOUNCEMENT OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES (CATHOLIC)

GOOD FRIDAY - Stations of the Cross at 1500 hours and 1700 hours.
ALL ARE WELCOME.

PROTESTANT

GOOD FRIDAY - Services from 1300 to 1500 hours.

III HOTEL FURNITURE INVENTORY

An inventory of Hotel furniture in offices and billets of this headquarters in buildings not under the immediate control of the owners thereof has been made. Officers in charge of sections and the ranking Officer in each billet room will be asked to sign a memorandum receipt for this hotel furniture. Failure to sign will result in removal of furnishings. (Official JWF - Hq Comdt) (1)

IV POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

The Post Exchange supplies for the 5th and 6th weeks will not be available for purchase until Wednesday, 4 April or possibly Thursday 5 April. Some cigarettes, and candy will be available until that time. (1)

V OFFICERS' CALL STORE

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VI POST EXCHANGE

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VII WARNING

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VIII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "HI BEAUTIFULL" Starring Martha Dressell

IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "JANIE" Starring Joyce Reynolds & Robert Hutton

X HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight (only) at 1930 - "THE WOMAN IN THE WINDOW" Starring Edward G. Robinson & Joan Bennett

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

31 March 1945

Vol 2 No 78

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I FLIGHT STRIP

Effective this date, 1st Lt C. R. Jobourn is the officer in charge of Headquarters Flight. Requests for local flights will be made to him at the flight strip. Requests for cross-country flights will be sent to the Chief of Staff for approval. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

II BLANK FORMS

Those units that have not submitted requisition for Blank Forms will do so immediately. (Per III Daily Bulletin #73, 26 March 1945). (Official TJB - AG) (1)

III PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: this service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor)

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IV HOTEL FURNITURE INVENTORY

An inventory of Hotel furniture in offices and billets of this headquarters in buildings not under the immediate control of the owners thereof has been made. Officers in charge of sections and the ranking Officer in each billet room will be asked to sign a memorandum receipt for this hotel furniture. Failure to sign will result in removal of furnishings. (Official JMF - Hq Comdt) (2)

V POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

The Post Exchange supplies for the 5th & 6th weeks will not be available for purchase until Wednesday, 4 April or possibly Thursday 5 April. Some cigarettes, and candy will be available until that time. (2)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "HI BEAUTIFULL" Starring Martha Bresecoll

VII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "JANIE" Starring Joyce Reynolds & Robert Hutton

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

2 April 1945

Vol 2 No 79

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I FLIGHT STRIP

Effective this date, 1st Lt C. R. Cobourn is the officer in charge of Headquarters Flight. Requests for local flights will be made to him at the flight strip. Requests for cross-country flights will be sent to the Chief of Staff for approval. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

II BLANK FORMS

Those units that havenot submitted requisition for Blank Forms will do so immediately. (Par III Daily Bulletin #73, 26 March 1945). (Official TJB - AG)(2)

III PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 A. at the Synagogue.

Note: this service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (10)

IV HOTEL FURNITURE INVENTORY

An inventory of Hotel Furniture in offices and billets of this headquarters in buildings not under the immediate control of the owners thereof has been made. Officers in charge of sections and the ranking officer in each billet room will be asked to sign a memorandum receipt for this hotel furniture. Failure to sign will result in removal of furnishings. (Official JMF - Hq Condt) (3)

V POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

The Post Exchange supplies for the 5th & 6th weeks will not be available for purchase until Wednesday, 4 April or possibly Thursday 5 April. Some cigarettes, and candy will be available until that time. (3)

VI POST EXCHANGE COUNCIL

A meeting of the Post Exchange Council is called for Monday, 2 April 1945 at 1500 hours.

VII BASEBALL

There will be a practice session for the Officers Baseball Team of First Tactical Air Force, Tuesday at 1600 hours. (1)

VIII LOCATION OF I & E OFFICE

The Hq. Sq. I & E Office will be located for the next 15 days in the office of Hq. Sq. Mess Officer, which is located at the rear of the day room.

IX ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "SONG TO REMEMBER" Starring Paul Huni and Merle Oberon
Latinee at 1430

X HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1930 - "GUEST IN THE HOUSE" Starring Ann Baxter & Ralph Bella

XI CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "THE PRINCESS AND THE PIRATE" Starring Bob Hope & Virginia Mayo

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

3 April 1945

Vol 2 No 80

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I SUBSCRIPTIONS

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II FLIGHT STRIP

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III BLANK FORMS

Those units that have not submitted requisition for Blank Forms will do so immediately. (Par III Daily Bulletin #73, 26 March 1945). (Official TJB - AG) (3)

IV PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: this service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (11)

V BASEBALL

There will be a practice session for the Officers Baseball Team of First Tactical Air Force, Tuesday at 1600 hours. (2)

VI LOCATION OF I & E OFFICE

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VII ALHAMBRA THEATER

Tonight at 1900 - "SONG TO REMEMBER" Starring Paul Hani, Merle Oberon

VIII HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1930 - "MURDER IN STREET" Starring Dick Powell & Ann Shirley

IX CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "THE PRINCESS AND THE PIRATE" Starring Bob Hope and
Matinee at 1400 Virginia Mayo

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I SERVICE COMMAND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence will not be prepared for the signature of the Adjutant General. The signature block will be stamped on all correspondence by the Adjutant Generals' Division. (Official PMA - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

4 April 1945

Vol 2 No 81

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I SUBSCRIPTIONS

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II PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: this service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (12)

III LOCATION OF I & E OFFICE

The Hq. Sq. I & E Office will be located for the next 15 days in the office of Hq. Sq. Mess Officer, which is located at the rear of the day room. (3)

IV ORIENTATION LECTURE

The weekly orientation lecture will be held Thursday April 5, in the Alhambra Theatre at 1100 and 1500 hours. This lecture pertains to information all personnel should know. All who possibly can should attend. Section Chiefs will notify the Station I & E Officer the names of those who attended. (1)

V OFF LIMITS

The Cafe de La Gare, Contrexeville, has been placed "Off Limits" to all Allied military personnel by the Area Commander. 6th Army Group. (1)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "GUEST IN THE HOUSE" Starring Ann Baxter & Ralph Bellamy
Matinee at 1430

VII HOSPITAL THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "MURDER IS SWEET" Starring Dick Powell & Ann Shirley

VIII CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "HANGOVER SQUARE" Starring Laird Cregar & Linda Darnell

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I SERVICE COMMAND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence will not be prepared for the signature of the Adjutant General. The signature block will be stamped on all correspondence by the Adjutant Generals' Division. (Official Mail - AG) (2)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Edition
5 April 1945

Air Force (AF 2222)

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I SUBSCRIPTIONS

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II PASSOVER SERVICES

Thursday April 5th - 11:00 AM at the Synagogue.

Note: this service will also include the Memorial (Yizkor) (13)

III ORIENTATION LECTURE

The weekly orientation lecture will be held Thursday April 5, in the Alhambra Theatre at 11:00 and 15:00 hours. This lecture pertains to information all personnel should know. All who possibly can should attend. Section Chiefs will notify the Station I & E Officer the names of those who attended. (2)

IV OFF LIMITS

The Cafe de La Gare, Contrexeville, has been placed "Off Limits" to all Allied military personnel by the Area Commander 6th Army Group. (2)

V FILES

Request the Files of T/O's and E's (Tables of Organization and Equipment) be returned to Tech Data Section, Room 212. (1)

VI OFFICERS' CLUB

Tonight - 23rd General Hospital Dance Orchestra.

VII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "GUEST IN THE HOUSE" Starring Ann Baxter & Ralph Bellamy

VIII CASINO THEATRE (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "HANGOVER SQUARE" Starring Laird Cregar & Linda Darnell

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

6 April 1945

Vol 2 No 83

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I TELEPHONE REQUESTS

Requests for new telephones and moves on existing telephones will be submitted to the Signal Center Officer forty eight (48) hours in advance. Personnel and equipment are at a premium and some delays may be encountered before work is completed. (1)

II CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Personnel leaving this Headquarters for a destination outside France will exchange currency in their possession for the currency of the country to which they are going.

Officers in charge of units will make suitable arrangements in advance with the Finance Officer to secure proper funds. (1)

III OFFICERS' MESS

Personnel who have borrowed china-ware, silver-ware or other equipment from the officers' mess will return them immediately to the Officers' Mess Office. (1)

IV OFF LIMITS

The Cafe de La Gare, Contrexeville, has been placed "Off Limits" to all Allied military personnel by the Area Commander 6th Army Group. (3)

V FILES

Request the Files of T/O's and E's (Tables of Organization and Equipment) be returned to Tech Data Section, Room 212. (2)

VI ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "MURDER MY SWEET" Starring Dick Powell & Ann Shirley
Matinee at 1430

VII HOSPITAL THEATER

Tonight at 1930 - "SONG TO REMEMBER" Starring Paul Huni & Merle Oberon

VIII CASINO THEATER (SIXTH ARMY)

Tonight at 1900 - "ROUGHLY SPEAKING" Starring Rosalind Russell & Jack Carson

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

7 April 1945

Vol 2 No 84

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I TELEPHONE REQUESTS

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II CURRENCY EXCHANGE

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III OFFICERS' MESS

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IV FILES

Request the Files of T/O's and E's (Tables of Organization and Equipment) be returned to Tech Data Section, Room 214. (3)

V ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "MURDER BY SWEE T" Starring Dick Powell & Ann Shirley

VI HOSPITAL THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "SONG TO REMEMBER" Starring Paul Huni & Harle Oberon

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I POST EXCHANGE

A very limited number of watches will be available for purchase at the Post Exchange at a future date. It is requested that only those persons not having a watch, whose duties call for one, sign the roster which is posted in the PX. Please read the instructions on the roster. This roster will be posted until Friday 14 April 1945. (1)

II AG & AG PERSONNEL SERVICE COMMAND

The telephone number of the Adjutant General and Personnel Officer of the I Tactical Air Force Service Command is now 307. (Official MII - AG)

III ENLISTED MEN CLASSIFICATION

In compliance with many recent directives and for the general welfare of the enlisted men of Hq & Hq Sq I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), the Squadron Adjutant and Squadron Personnel Section will devote the week of 9 to 14 April 1945, inclusive, to checking all EM's personnel records for accuracy and completeness and for proper classification. Each man will be given the day and

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hour he is to report and all section officers are requested to insure that their enlisted personnel are released from section duties to report to the classification team.

2. Any enlisted man requesting a higher MOS (Military Occupational Speciality) Number or a different one from the one he now holds, must support his request by a memorandum or letter from his section officer approving his request and giving the enlisted man's qualifications for the new MOS number. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactics

Air Force (Prov)

9 April 1945

Vol 2 No 85

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence previously prepared for the signature of THOMAS G. KRONBERG, Major, Air Corps, will now be prepared for signature of

T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

(1)

II OFFICIAL TIME

Official time for this Headquarters may be obtained by calling the telephone operator. (1)

III TELEPHONE REQUESTS

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IV CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Personnel leaving this Headquarters for a destination outside France will exchange currency in their possession for the currency of the country to which they are going.

Officers in charge of units will make suitable arrangements in advance with the Finance Officer to secure proper funds. (3)

V OFFICERS' MESS

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VI ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "BETWEEN TWO WOMEN" Starring Van Johnson

VII HOSPITAL THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "HANGOVER SQUARE" Starring Laird Cregar & Linda Darnell

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I ROSTER OF PERSONNEL:

Each section of this headquarters will submit a roster of officer and enlisted personnel assigned to the section, to include rank and serial number, to the Adjutant General's Section not later than Noon 10 April 1945. Any changes in section personnel will be reported immediately to the Adjutant General's Section. (Official J.T. - AGC) (1)

II LOST

Purse in vicinity Thomas Hotel, this headquarters, containing Identification Card, photographs and other personal papers. Finder please contact Captain TODD, AG Section, Ext. 807. (1)

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IV AG & AC PERSONNEL SERVICE OFFICE

The telephone number of the Adjutant General and Personnel Officer of the I Tactical Air Force Service Command is now 807. (Official MIL - AG) (2)

V ENLISTED MEN CLASSIFICATION

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Any enlisted man requesting a higher MOS (Military Occupational Speciality) Number or a different one from the one he now holds, must support his request by a memorandum or letter from his section officer approving his request and giving the enlisted man's qualifications for the new MOS number. (2)

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Headquarters Bulletin

11 April 1945 Tactical

Air Force (Vol 2 No 87)

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I STARS & STRIPES

In order that the Stars & Stripes may be distributed on a strength basis, all sections of the Service Command Headquarters, and sections of the Air Force Headquarters at this station will inform the mail and distribution office of their respective headquarters of the total number of officers and enlisted men on duty in their sections. This information will also be submitted by organizations receiving their "Stars & Stripes" thru the Mail & Distribution Office. (1)

II WORK-SHEETS

Section heads this headquarters will prepare pencilled work-sheets of WD AGO Form #67 (efficiency report) on all officers on duty with their sections on 31 December 1944. This work-sheet is to be sent to the Adjutant General, who will prepare the final report from this work-sheet and return it to the section for signature. (Official - RMV - AMG) (2)

III BILLETS

Officers desiring billets will be accommodated by the Headquarters Commandant. In no case will an officer change from one billet to another without authorization by the Commandant. (Official - AVG - Hq Comdt) (2)

IV CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence previously prepared for the signature of THOMAS G. KRONBERG, Major, Air Corps, will now be prepared for signature of

T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

(3)

V OFFICIAL TIME

Official time for this Headquarters may be obtained by calling the telephone operator. (3)

VI EM CLUB DANCE

Dance scheduled for Thursday, 12 April 1945, at EM Club, will be postponed until next Thursday, 19 April 1945. (1)

VII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "GREENWICH VILLAGE" Starring Carmen Miranda & Don Ameche

VIII CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "BETWEEN TWO WOMEN" Starring Van Johnson & Gloria DeHaven

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I STAFF DUTY OFFICER

Effective this date an officer of field grade will be detailed each day as Staff Duty Officer. His tour will commence at 2100 hours and end at 0600 hours the following day. The Adjutant General will maintain a roster and notify each

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officer concerned prior to noon on the day his tour begins. The Duty Officer will report to the Adjutant General duty officer in Room 21, prior to 2100 hours to sign register and receive instructions. He will remain in Room 111, Thermes Hotel, for the entire period of his tour, except such time as may be necessary in the performance of his duty. Upon completion of his tour at 0600 hours he will report to the Adjutant General to sign register and turn over any matters requiring attention. The telephone number of the Staff Duty Officer is 302. A roster will be prepared a week in advance announcing the name and date of officer detailed. It will be posted on the Headquarters Bulletin Board and initialed by each officer concerned. Exchange of tours by officers concerned will be kept to a minimum and in all cases coordinated with the Adjutant General in advance. Sleeping facilities will be arranged by Headquarters Commandant. (Official MII - AG) (1)

II OFFICERS' CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the Officers' Club, this headquarters, at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, at 1930 hours, Thursday, 12 April 1945. All members are urged to be present. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

12 April 1945

Vol 2 No 88

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I HEADQUARTERS BULLETIN BOARD

All notices to be placed on Headquarters Bulletin Board will first be submitted to the Office of the Adjutant General, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

II FOUND

Fountain Pen. Owner can obtain it from Colonel Steele, Rm 214, upon adequate description. (1)

III ORIENTATION LECTURE

The weekly orientation lecture will be held Thursday Afternoon, 12 April 1945 at 1400 and 1500 hours in the Alhambra Theatre. Section-Chiefs will be held responsible for the attendance of their sections. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

IV STARS & STRIPES

In order that the Stars & Stripes may be distributed on a strength basis, all sections of the Service Command Headquarters, and sections of the Air Force Headquarters at this station will inform the mail and distribution office of their respective headquarters of the total number of officers and enlisted men on duty in their sections. This information will also be submitted by organizations receiving their "Stars & Stripes" thru the Mail & Distribution Office. (2)

V WORK-SHEETS

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VI BILLETS.

Officers desiring billets will be accommodated by the Headquarters Commandant. In no case will an officer change from one billet to another without authorization by the Commandant. (Official - AVC - Hq Comdt) (3)

VII EM CLUB DANCE

Dance scheduled for Thursday, 12 April 1945, at EM Club, will be postponed until next Thursday, 19 April 1945. (2)

VIII ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "GREENWICH VILLAGE" Starring Carmen Miranda & Don Amech

IX CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "BETWEEN TWO WOMEN" Starring Van Johnson & Gloria DeHaven
(One Show Only)

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I SERVICE COMMAND

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located in the Hotel Thermes as indicated:

Room 117 and 118	- Air Inspector Service Command Tel No. 114
Room 114	- AG Publications
Room 115	- AG Mail & Distribution
Room 116	- AG Records Tel No. 407

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II ENLISTED MEN CLUB

There will be a meeting of enlisted personnel of the I Tactical Air Force Service Command at this station for the purpose of electing a Council for the Enlisted Men's Club. Time: 1930 hours Thursday, 12 April 1945
Place: Enlisted Men's Club.

III AMATEUR FILMS

Films are accepted by the Post Exchange for developing and are then sent to the Army Exchange Service Headquarters. It is expected that this service will require several weeks before the developed films are returned to the customer. Other services that are available through your Exchange are: Enlargements and developing motion picture films (Kodak). Information can be obtained from the cashier in the Exchange Store or from the Post Exchange Office located on the ground floor of the Central Hotel. (1)

IV STAFF DUTY OFFICER

An officer of field grade will be detailed each day as Staff Duty Officer. His tour will commence at 2100 hours and end at 0600 hours the following day. The Adjutant General will maintain a roster and notify each officer concerned prior to noon on the day his tour begins. The Duty Officer will report to the Adjutant General duty officer in Room 21, prior to 2100 hours to sign register and receive instructions. He will remain in Room 111, Thermes Hotel, for the entire period of his tour, except such time as may be necessary in the performance of his duty. Upon completion of his tour at 0600 hours he will report to the Adjutant General to sign register and turn over any matters requiring attention. The telephone number of the Staff Duty Officer is 302. A roster will be prepared a week in advance announcing the name and date of officer detailed. It will be posted on the Headquarters Bulletin Board and initialed by each officer concerned. Exchange of tours by officers concerned will be kept to a minimum and in all cases coordinated with the Adjutant General in advance. Sleeping facilities will be arranged by Headquarters Commandant. (Official RTH - AG) (2)

V OFFICERS' CLUB MEETING

There will be a meeting of all members of the Headquarters I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) Officers' Club, at the Officers' Club, Lorraine Hotel, at 1930 hours, Thursday, 12 April 1945. All members are urged to be present. (2)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

13 April 1945

Vol 2 No 89

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I HEADQUARTERS BULLETIN BOARD

All notices to be placed on Headquarters Bulletin Board will first be submitted to the Office of the Adjutant General, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force. (Official - TJB - AG) (2)

II FOUNTAIN

Fountain Pen. Owner can obtain it from Colonel Steele, Rm 214, upon adequate description. (2)

III STARS & STRIPES

In order that the Stars & Stripes may be distributed on a strength basis, all sections of the Service Command Headquarters, and sections of the Air Force Headquarters at this station will inform the mail and distribution office of their respective headquarters of the total number of officers and enlisted men on duty in their sections. This information will also be submitted by organizations receiving their "Stars & Stripes" thru the Mail & Distribution Office. (3)

IV ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "HANGOVER SQUARE" Starring Laird Creger & Linda Darnell

V CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "GREENWICH VILLAGE" Starring Carmen Miranda & Don Ameche (One Show Only)

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I SERVICE COMMAND

The following offices of the I Tactical Air Force Service Command are located in the Hotel Thames as indicated:

Room 117 and 118	- Air Inspector Service Command Tel No. 114
Room 114	- AG Publications
Room 115	- AG Mail & Distribution
Room 116	- AG Records Tel No. 407

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II POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

The Post Exchange supplies for the 7th and 8th weeks will not be available for purchase until Thursday 19 April. Cigarettes, Candy, and other articles will be on sale until that time. (Official - PX Off) (1)

III AMATEUR FILMS

Films are accepted by the Post Exchange for developing and are then sent to the Army Exchange Service Headquarters. It is expected that this service will require several weeks before the developed films are returned to the customer. Other services that are available through your Exchange are: Enlargements and developing motion picture films (Kodak). Information can be obtained from the cashier in the Exchange Store or from the Post Exchange Office located on the ground floor of the Central Hotel. (2)

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IV STAFF DUTY OFFICER

An officer of field grade will be detailed each day as Staff Duty Officer. His tour will commence at 2100 hours and end at 0800 hours the following day. The Adjutant General will maintain a roster and notify each officer concerned prior to noon on the day his tour begins. The Duty Officer will report to the Adjutant General duty officer in Room 21, prior to 2100 hours to sign register and receive instructions. He will remain in Room 111, Thames Hotel, for the entire period of his tour, except such time as may be necessary in the performance of his duty. Upon completion of his tour at 0800 hours he will report to the Adjutant General to sign register and turn over any matters requiring attention. The telephone number of the Staff Duty Officer is 302. A roster will be prepared a week in advance announcing the name and date of officer detailed. It will be posted on the Headquarters Bulletin Board and initialed by each officer concerned. Exchange of tours by officers concerned will be kept to a minimum and in all cases coordinated with the Adjutant General in advance. Sleeping facilities will be arranged by Headquarters Commandant. (Official MEM - AG) (3)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1st April 1945

Vol 2 No 90

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I HEADQUARTERS BULLETIN BOARD

All notices to be placed on Headquarters Bulletin Board will first be submitted to the Office of the Adjutant General, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force. (Official - TJB - AG) (3)

II FOUND

Fountain Pen. Owner can obtain it from Colonel Steele, Rm 21h, upon adequate description. (3)

III ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "HANGOVER SQUARE" Starring Laird Cregar & Linda Darnell

IV CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "GREENWICH VILLAGE" Starring Carmen Miranda & Don Ameche (One Show Only)

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

I SERVICE COMMAND

The following offices of the I Tactical Air Force Service Command are located in the Hotel Thermes as indicated:

Room 117 and 118	- Air Inspector Service Command Tel No. 114
Room 114	- AG Publications
Room 115	- AG Mail / Distribution
Room 116	- AG Records Tel No. 107

(3)

II POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

The Post Exchange supplies for the 7th and 8th weeks will not be available for purchase until Thursday 19 April. Cigarettes, Candy, and other articles will be on sale until that time. (Official - PX Off) (2)

III AMATEUR FILMS

Films are accepted by the Post Exchange for developing and are then sent to the Army Exchange Service Headquarters. It is expected that this service will require several weeks before the developed films are returned to the customer. Other services that are available through your Exchange are: Enlargements and developing motion picture films (Kodak). Information can be obtained from the cashier in the Exchange Store or from the Post Exchange Office located on the ground floor of the Central Hotel. (3)

IV OFFICERS MEETING

There will be a meeting of officers, this headquarters at 1900 hours Tuesday, 17 April 1945, in the Officers Mess. This meeting will be brief and it is the expressed desire of the Commanding General that every available officer be present. (Official Mtl - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

16 April 1945

Vol 2 No 91

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I ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "ENTER ARSINE LUPIN" starring Charles Korwin & Ella Raines. Latinee at 1430.

II CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 2000 - "TOGETHER AGAIN" starring Charles Boyer & Irene Dunn (one show only)

SERVICE COMMAND ITEMS

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III STAFF DUTY OFFICER

The room number of the Staff Duty Officer is changed from 111 to 103, Thermes Hotel.

IV LOST

Alligator skin tobacco pouch and round bowl pipe. Finder please return to AG Publications - room 114.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prev)

17 April 1945

Vol 2 No 92

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I ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "ENTER ARSINE LUPI" starring Charles Korwin & Ella Raines.

II CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 2000 - "TOGETHER AGAIN" starring Charles Boyer & Irene Dunne (one show only)

III POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES

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Headquarters Bulletin

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18 April 1945

Vol 2 No 93

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- I ALHAMBRA THEATRE
Matinee at 1130 - "TOGETHER AGAIN" starring Charles Boyer
Tonight at 1900 and Irene Dunne.
- II CASINO THEATRE
Tonight at 2000 - "LAKE PLACID" Starring Vera Ralston and
Robert Livingston (one show only).
- III ORIENTATION LECTURE
The weekly orientation lecture will be held THURSDAY
19 APRIL 1945 at 1400 and 1500 hours in the ALHAMBRA THEATRE.

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prev)

19 April 1945

Vol 2 No 94

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I ALHAMBRA THEATRE
Tonight at 1930 - "TOGETHER AGAIN" starring Charles Boyer and Irene Dunne.

II CASINO THEATRE
Tonight at 2000 - "LAKE PLACID" Starring Vera Ralston and Robert Livingston

III ORIENTATION LECTURE

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

20 April 1945

Vol 2 No 95

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "LAKE PLACID" Starring Vera Ralston & Robert Livingston
Matinee at 1430

II CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 2000 - "ENTER ARSENE LUPIN" Starring Charles Korvin & Ella Raines
Matinee for Patients Only

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prev)

21 April 1945

Vol 2 No 96

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0950 on date of publication.

I CONSERVATION OF ELECTRICITY

It has been noted that in many cases lights are being left on after personnel have left their offices. In order to conserve electricity it is requested that all personnel of this headquarters keep all lights turned off when not in use. (Official - Hq Comdt) (1)

II MOVEMENT OF HQ

During the eventual movement of this headquarters, every precaution will be taken to take no hotel furniture or fixtures. Government furniture (U S or British issue) will be taken. Desks need not be taken and if taken, only those in excellent condition should be included. There is a sufficient supply at the new location. (Official - TJB AG) (1)

III ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Tonight at 1900 - "LAKE PLACID" starring Vera Ralston & Robert Livingston

IV CASINO THEATRE

Tonight at 2000 - "ENTER ARSENE LUPIN" starring Charles Korvin & Ella Raines
(Matinee for patients only)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prev)

28 April 1945

Vol 2 No 98

I REPORT

In order to render personnel reports accurately, a weekly roster will be submitted by all sections of this headquarters, as of 1200 hrs each Friday. Forms for this report are now obtainable at Hq Sq Orderly-Room. (Off - TGM - AAG)
(2)

II BARBER SHOP

First Tactical Air Force Barber Shop hours are:

Officers - 0900 to 1200
Enlisted Men - 1300 to 1730

III 1st Tac AF THEATRE

Tonight at 1930 - "TO HAVE OR HAVE NOT" Starring Humphrey Bogart

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov)

30 April 1945

Vol 2 No 9

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I PASSES

Just
Passes required to enter captured manufacturing installations (such as factories above or below ground) which have heretofore been secured from T-Force, 6th Army Group, will in the future be requested through AC of S, A-2, First TACAF. (1)

II WORK REQUESTS

All requests for work concerning carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, etc. will be submitted to the Utilities Officer through Headquarters Commandant. No such requests are to be made directly to civilian workmen or contractor. (1)

III CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

No civilian employee will be hired or dismissed by any member of this Headquarters without specific authorization by the Headquarters Commandant and the Purchasing and Contracting Officer. (1)

IV REPORT

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Headquarters Bulletin

2 May 1945 First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Vol 3 No 101

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I STATION LIBRARY

Effective, 1 May 1945, the station library located in the Special Service Office, ground floor headquarters Annex, will be opened to officers and enlisted men of this headquarters. The library hours will be from 0800 to 1700 and 1900 to 2100. (2)

II MIMEOGRAPH WORK

It is requested that all sections that have mimeograph work being done, pick same up immediately. (Official - JHW - AMG) (2)

III TOP SECRET CONTROLLERS

All Staff Section, this Headquarters:

Captain Michael J. Panek
Lieut O. C. Welch
Lieut Constance P. McMillan

The above mentioned names are announced as Assistant Top Secret Controllers for Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov). (Official TKG - AMG) (2)

IV I & E ACTIVITIES

A new course of instruction is being offered by Sixth Army Group. Personnel of this Headquarters who are interested in this course may attend, namely:

PHYSICS - A Basic Course
Instructor - Lt Col John W. Finn, Inf.
Educational Level of Course: Senior High School and Junior College
Textbook used: Physics: Heat, Sound, and Light.
Class Room: Number 5, I & E Center, University Building, Heidelberg
Schedule of Classes: Tues and Fri at 1900-2000 hours. (2)

V RELIGIOUS BULLETIN

CATHOLIC:

There will be May Devotions daily at 1600 hours in St. Boniface Church.
PLACE - Kaiserstrasse. 3 Blocks South of Headquarters and turn right.

PROTESTANT:

Services Wednesday evening at 1900 hours in the Protestant Province Church.
PLACE - Hauptstrasse and Karl Ludwigstrasse. (2)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical Air Force (Prev)

4 May 1945

Vol 2 No 103

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I REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY - 13 May 1945

Mother's Day Greetings may be sent through the Postal Officer located in the Headquarters Annex. (1)

II CHOIR REHEARSAL

At 1900 hours this evening in the church of St. Boniface there will be a choir rehearsal which is in preparation for V-E Day religious Service. All those interested will be at the Church by 1900 hours. (1)

III MILITARY CORRESPONDENCE

Personnel of this Headquarters concerned with the preparation of military correspondence will comply with Appendix III, TM 12-253, WD, 1 October 1944, (Correspondence). It will be noted that all words contained in the command line on military letters and indorsements are in capital letters.

Example:

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

or

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

IV SCHLOSS THEATRE - "THREE IS A FAMILY" Starring Charles Ruggles & Marjory Reynolds

V CAPITOL THEATRE - "MEET ME IN ST LOUIS" Starring Judy Garland & Margaret O'Brien

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

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5 May 1945

Vol 2 No 104

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I NOTICE

When challenged by sentries or military policemen, it is extremely dangerous to turn flashlight beams into such persons' faces. An enemy person desiring to escape would probably do the same thing, as such action momentarily blinds the person in the light, allowing an enemy to stab, club, or shoot the challenger. A nervous sentry, aware of this, may shoot first. Consequently, when challenged, all persons if using a flashlight, should flash it on their own faces, not at the challenger. (1)

II RELIGIOUS NOTICE

All members of the "Latter Day Saints" are requested to meet in the Office of the Chaplain on Sunday evening at 1900 hours. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

8 May 1945

Vol 2 No 106

Historical

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I NEW SCHEDULE FOR SWIMMING POOL AND BATHS (45 BERGHEIMER STRASSE)

SWIMMING

1000 to 1200 hours, 1400 to 1800 hours, 1930 to 2130 hours daily except Monday. The large swimming pool will be used by enlisted male personnel every day except Monday. The small swimming pool will be used by officer male personnel every day except Monday and Thursday, and by female personnel, officer and enlisted, on Thursday. Pool closed Monday for cleaning.

SHOWERS AND TUB BATHS

Same schedule as for Swimming.

STEAM BATHS

Steam Baths are available for male personnel only at the present time on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday according to the following schedule:

OFFICERS

Tuesday & Saturday - 1000 to 1400
Wednesday - 1400 to 1800

ENLISTED MEN

Tuesday & Saturday - 1400 to 1800
Wednesday - 1000 to 1400

(2)

II RATIONS

The supply of "C" and "K" rations is exhausted and are no longer available at the QM Ration Dump. (2)

III "OFF LIMITS" AREAS

All cafes, bars, taverns, soda fountains, restaurants, hotels, private homes, theaters, dance halls, barber shops, not requisitioned and used by the Allied Armies are placed "Off Limits" to all Military personnel. (2)

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V REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY - 13 May 1945

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VI EX-PRISONERS OF WAR

Allied Ex-Prisoners of War and similar personnel (evadees, escapees, ex-internees) upon reporting to this headquarters will be taken to the local Provost Marshal's Office, across the street from the Bayrischer Hof, where they will be properly processed in accordance with RAMP policies. This applies to all branches of the service. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

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10 May 1945

Vol 2 No 107

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V RELIGIOUS NOTICE

Thursday, 10 May, is Ascension Thursday. Mass at 1600 hours in St. Boniface Church (Kaiserstrasse).

VI OFFICERS OF THE DAYS

Due to changes in the operational situation, it is desired to use every available company-grade officer at this headquarters for "Officer of the Day" duty.

Each section head will review previous requests for relief from OD Duty of officers of his section and submit a revised list to the Adjutant General Section. (1)

V FURLOUGHS AND LEAVES

Applications for leaves and furloughs for personnel of this headquarters will not be submitted except for the gravest reasons until further notice. (1)

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VI RELAXING OF CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS

The following bulletin is quoted from 6th Army Group Adjutant General:
"Censorship regulations are now relaxed and until further notice all personnel
may now mention geographical locations in personal correspondence. The sending
of picture postcards showing geographical locations is also authorized." (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

11 May 1945

Tactical

Air Force Vol 298-108

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I CARRYING OF WEAPONS

The carrying of non-issue weapons by personnel of this headquarters and units attached thereto is forbidden. (Official - TJB - AG) (1)

II NOTICE

It is requested that anyone owing or having a claim against the estate of Major William A. Barrett Jr. (deceased) contact Capt Jack E. Weaver, Summary Court. Phone 66h. (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

19 May 1945

Vol No 115

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The 6th Army Group Military Police are arresting members of this Headquarters for not being in a proper uniform and for not being armed. All members, this Headquarters, are cautioned to be in proper uniform and armed when outdoors. (2)

II SECTION CHIEFS

Section Chiefs are responsible for reporting to the Headquarters Commandant when vacating assigned office rooms. All such rooms vacated will be clean and trash removed. No building furniture or fixtures will be removed. The headquarters commandant will furnish each section chief concerned a "release" slip after an inspection has been made. (Official TJB - AG) (2)

III LAISSEZ-PASSER MILITAIRE

Officers and enlisted men having in their possession passes issued by the headquarters to enter 6th Army Group Dual Language Zone, will turn them in at The Adjutant General's Office immediately for cancellation. (2)

IV OFF LIMITS

Until further notice the Provinces of North Holland, South Holland and Utrecht are OFF LIMITS to all United States Personnel except those on essential business. (3)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

18 May 1945

Vol 2 No 114

Historical

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IV CHOIR REHEARSAL

This evening at 1900 hours in the Church of St. Boniface there will be a choir rehearsal for Sunday. All members are invited to attend. The church is located on Kaiserstrasse, 3 blocks south of Headquarters and turn right.

V OUTGOING MESSAGES

Effective this date outgoing messages for delivery to the AG Cables Section will be authenticated in the AG Personnel & Records Section. (3)

VI CENSORSHIP

Unit censorship of mail will cease immediately. EM mail will not be censored by unit officers, and officers need not place their signatures on the envelopes of their own mail.

Correspondence will be subject to Base Censorship however and all restrictions on prohibited information remain in force as before. (3)

VII OFF LIMITS

Until further notice the Provinces of North Holland, South Holland and Utrecht are OFF LIMITS to all United States Personnel except those on essential business. (2)

VIII FORMATION

A ceremony will be held at 0830 hours, Saturday, 19 May 1945. Formation will be the same as the one held on 28 April 1945. Uniform: Garrison Cap, OD Shirt and Trousers, Shoes, No Ties, No Leggings or Boots. Arms will be carried. (Official TJB - AG) (1)

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Headquarters Bulletin

First Tactical

Air Force (Prov.)

17 May 1945

Vol 2 No 113

Items for publication in the Bulletin will be submitted by 0930 on date of publication.

I \$50 Reward

For information leading to the return of "Scout", small-medium male Shetland Collie dog; long, light reddish-brown hair, white breast; 3 years old. Black leather collar, no identification. Two toes missing on right rear foot, causes limp. Lost in DARESTADT Area at GROSS GERAU, GERMANY on 26 April 1945. Please contact Pvt. A. N. Hilliard, 11030727, Hq Sq, 319th Air Sv Gp, APO 374, U. S. Army. (3)

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V OFF LIMITS

Until further notice the Provinces of North Holland, South Holland and Utrecht are OFF LIMITS to all United States Personnel except those on essential business. (1)

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First Tactical

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Lieut	Curt C. Davis	Major	Walter Stoser
Major	Ralph P. Dunn	Captain	Henry P. Sullivan
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Lieut	William G. Marvin	Major	Clarence W. Wisdom

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II POST EXCHANGE

The Sixth Army Group has consented to let the personnel of this headquarters use the facilities of the 6th Army Group Post Exchange, beginning on Wednesday, 16 May 1945. Post Exchange ration cards will be issued by the organization commanders. Hours are from 0930 to 1130 hours and from 1300 to 1700 hours. Officers are encouraged to use these facilities beginning Monday, 14 May 1945. Located at Groten Gasse Strasse. (3)

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TO FOR ACTION: ETOUSA FOR INFO: 213TH AAA GROUP, 1st TACAF

FROM: CG SIXTH ARMY GROUP OLSAA: S E C R E T SIGNED DEVERS

REFERENCE NO: BX 19528

ISSUANCE OF ORDERS RELIEVING FOLLOWING UNITS FROM ASSIGNMENT TO SEVENTH ARMY
AND ASSIGNMENT TO ETOUSA AND ATTACHMENT TO 1ST TACAF EFFECTIVE 0001A 12 NOV 44
IS REQUESTED:

213 AAA GROUP HQ AND HQ BTRY

894 AAA AW BN(M)

355 AAA SEARCHLIGHT BN X

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SHAEF STATES UNITS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO SIXTH ARMY GROUP AND ATTACHED FIRST TACAF X
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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

AGO 887
29 September 1944

AG 000.73 OpGE

SUBJECT: Censorship Instructions.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. In accordance with letter, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, file GEL/CEM/311.7-19, subject: "Picture Postcards", dated 19 September 1944, and pending revisions of Circular 33, this headquarters, dated 21 March 1944, the provisions outlined below will govern personal correspondence of all personnel using US Army facilities in this theater:

a. Personnel located in Belgium, Luxembourg, Holland or Germany may reveal their presence in those countries.

b. Picture postcards of the areas named in paragraph 1a, above, and picture postcards of Brussels may be sent, subject to the provisions contained in paragraph 1c, letter, this headquarters, file AG 000.73, subject as above, dated 14 September 1944. Personnel may mention visits in any area from which they are authorized to send picture postcards.

2. It is desired that all personnel of your command be informed of the above.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/Richard P. Fisk
t/RICHARD P. FISK,
Lt Colonel, AGP,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 22 December 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

J. S. GORDON;
Colonel, AGP,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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27 November 1944

SUBJECT: Maintenance and Life of Motor Vehicles.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374,
U. S. Army,
Commanding General, First French Air Corps,
Commanding Officers, All Units, First Tactical Air Force
(Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. It is desired that the following information received from Army Air Force Headquarters be brought to the attention of all units of your command.

"Advice forwarded this Headquarters by War Department that increasing demands by all Forces in all Theaters for motor vehicles are taxing facilities to extent that present shortages of vehicles and tires may increase also shortages of production and shipping prohibit any extensive vehicle replacements over and above minimum attrition.

Vehicle allowances in continental Air Forces and Commands continually being reduced and limited standard or substitute vehicles used to ASC retain maximum number vehicles and tires available for overseas urgently recommend your plans include minimum number vehicles necessary to accomplish mission successfully, your stocks on hand be screened continually to return to supply channels any vehicles in idle pools or not important to successful accomplishment of Air Force mission and that you place increasing emphasis on all echelons of Maintenance to prolong life of vehicles and tires now in Service".

By command of Major General ROJCE:

Thomas G. Bronberg
THOMAS G. BRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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27 November 1944

SUBJECT: Special Roster of Medical Department Officers.

TO : Each Unit Commander, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. TWX N-562, Ninth Air Force, dated 24 November 1944, substantially as follows, is quoted for your immediate compliance:

"All units attached to this command, assigned or attached to XII Tactical Air Command that submit a morning report will prepare a special roster on 1 December 1944 as of midnight 30 November 1944 listing Medical Department Officers assigned and attached ~~unassigned~~. This roster will be divided into the following sections: Medical Corps, Dental Corps, Veterinary Corps, Sanitary Corps, Medical Administration Corps, Army Nurse Corps, Physical Therapy, and Hospital Dieticians, listing the names alphabetically by grade within each section and showing name, serial number, branch, (MC, MAC, ANC, etc), grade, organization, race (white, colored, Puerto Rican, Chinese, etc), MOS (all available records will be used to secure the MOS of this personnel) and duty.

In no case will officers who are attached or on special duty with an organization be listed on the roster of the organization to which attached, but will be listed on the roster of their parent organization.

Special rosters will be securely tied to the morning reports for 30 November 1944 and forwarded direct to the 31st Machine Records Unit. ~~Negative reports~~ will be submitted.

To complete this inventory in the time specified by the War Department, the special rosters and morning reports will be forwarded so as to arrive at the 31st MRU not later than 4 December 1944. If necessary the morning report and special roster will be dispatched by special courier to insure arrival. They will not be forwarded through APO channels."

2. An information copy of the above roster will be forwarded to this headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

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APC 696, U S Army,
27 November 1944

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SUBJECT: Care and Preservation of Tentage.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The following letter, Hq, Advance Section, Con Z, subject as above, file AG 424.1 OpQM, dated 17 November 1944, is equally applicable to the handling of tentage in other areas:

"1. The instructions contained herein are published for those units required to live under canvas due to the nature of the duties they perform or due to the lack of available shelter in areas where they are now located. However, these instructions are equally applicable to all units. It is believed more comfortable living can be attained if the instructions for proper handling, storage and minor repairs are followed.

"2. Immediately upon issuance or at the first opportunity thereafter, tents should be carefully inspected for minor rips or holes, which can easily be repaired with cement and a patch about twice the size of the hole. Clean the area around the hole or rip; apply several coats of cement. Apply the patch and press dry. Cement can also be used on split seams. Apply cement to the area and sew with a heavy thread. Loose grommets should be pinched tight and missing ones replaced before the eyelet becomes a rip. Holes too large to be repaired with cement patches, are jobs for Textile Repair units at the nearest Quartermaster Salvage Repair unit. Periodic inspections should be made for any signs of weakening, particularly, in the case of tents in use, to rotten guy lines and any signs of mildew.

"3. It is important that care be taken when tentage is not in use to prevent mildew or rot from developing due to moisture. When practicable, canvas should be stored under cover and placed toward the center of the shelter to protect it from driving rain. Even though tentage was originally stored dry, moisture may collect during wet weather causing rot to set in quickly. It is therefore important to inspect canvas after every rain for standing water. If indoor storage is not available, necessitating outdoor storage, cover the top and all sides. Tent flies, tarpaulin, or building paper may be used. Covering should then be lashed tightly. Whether tents are stored indoors or outdoors, it is advisable to chalk the date on each bundle. Those in storage longest should be used first, thereby preventing mildew from settling down and digging into any one particular stack of tents. The use of dunnage will further assist in reducing loss of tentage by mildew and rot. Placed on wood or concrete floors to raise the tentage at least four inches and a minimum of eight inches off dirt floors and between each layer of the stack will permit air to circulate properly.

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Care should be taken that seasoned wood is used since moisture is always present in green wood.

"4. In pitching tents, the use of ground which is not too hard will save many a tent pin from breaking, however, ground that is too soft will cause tent poles to settle and the tent to sag. If it becomes necessary to pitch the tent on soft ground, setting the poles on flat stones or blocks of wood will prevent sagging. On larger tents, the use of the sod cloth makes for more snugness. Turn under the sod cloth and weight it down with clean wood or rocks. Never use dirt or wet material or rotting will set in.

"5. Correct folding is important. When a tent has been struck, fold it right on the spot making sure that leaves or dirt are swept clear as each fold is made. Do not fold along seams as this causes stress and strain on these vital spots. Never drag tentage, either indoors or out and never use baling hooks or other sharp instruments to pull folded tentage. All poles and pins should be wiped clean and allowed to dry before packing, then pack separately from the canvas."

2. a. As no tentage is available for replacement purposes, no matter how unserviceable the tentage has become, every effort should be made to conserve tentage now on hand.

b. In cases where spark arrestors are not available improvised spark arrestors may save personnel from living in partially burned tents.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

Harry E. Koch
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Major, A G D
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APC 696, U. S. Army,
23 November 1944.

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

Additional Equipment Authorized by Reorganization of Units.
Disposal of Equipment Rendered Excess by Reorganization.

(This memorandum supersedes Memorandum No. 65-21, this Headquarters,
dated 10 October 1944.)

SECTION I - AUTHORITY AND SCOPE

This memorandum is published pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army, file 322 ComE, subject: "Reorganization and Redesignation of Units", dated 6 November 1944, and first amendment thereto by Headquarters, US Strategic Air Force in Europe, dated 12 November 1944. It establishes the procedure to be followed by all organizations of the Ninth Air Force in obtaining additional equipment authorized by reorganization and in disposing of equipment rendered excess to units as a result of reorganization, disbandment or inactivation.

SECTION II - REQUESTING THE PROCEEDURE OF UNIT REORGANIZATION

Submit requisitions through normal supply channels for all additional equipment authorized by reorganization. Such requisitions will cite reorganization orders as authority and include statement that equipment is required to meet current operational needs.

SECTION III - DISPOSAL OF EQUIPMENT RENDERED EXCESS

ARTICLE I, INSTRUCTIONS TO HEADQUARTERS

1. Immediately upon the reorganization, inactivation or disbandment of a unit, the next higher headquarters of the unit concerned will:

- Determine equipment rendered excess.
- Distribute such equipment to other units under their control to fill existing shortages.
- Prepare and forward to Commanding General, IX Air Force Service Command, through the Air Depot Group and Headquarters Advanced Air Depot Area to which assigned, list showing equipment rendered excess, with appropriate notation thereon of the distribution made.

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2. The Air Depot Group and Headquarters Advanced Air Depot Area will utilize report submitted in compliance with paragraph 3 in allocating excess equipment to fill shortages of other units. After allocation has been determined, the IN Air Force Service Command will issue instructions as to the disposition of remaining equipment.

By command of Major General VANDERBERG:

W. L. WILLARD
Colonel, GSC
Chief of Staff

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Colonel, AGO
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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

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AFO 696; U S Army
29 November 1944

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SUBJECT: Aircraft Reporting.

TO : Commanding Generals, All Commands, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, 9th Bomb Division (1)
Commanding Officers, All Liaison Squadrons, Ninth Air Force.

1. In order to establish a uniform policy of reporting aircraft assigned to other air forces and temporarily on a Ninth Air Force station or being repaired by a Ninth Air Force unit, the following interpretation of Ninth Air Force Memorandum 55-6, dated 11 October 1944, will apply.

2. Aircraft being repaired by, or in the possession of a service unit which is not assigned to Ninth Air Force, will not be reported on Ninth Air Force Forms 110.

a. Example: Aircraft on a Ninth Air Force station being repaired by an Eighth Air Force service unit are reported by that service unit directly to Eighth Air Force, and will be disregarded on all Ninth Air Force reports.

3. All other aircraft on hand with Ninth Air Force units but assigned to another air force, will be reported separately on Forms 110, and will indicate the air force to which they are assigned.

a. Example: Eighth Air Force aircraft on a Ninth Air Force station, and not being repaired by an Eighth Air Force service unit, will be gained in Section III as "F-17-D (8th A.F.), 42-25470, Gain, Transient, from 8th A.F." and status reported separately in Part 2 of Section I, as "F-17-D (8th A.F.)".

4. When an aircraft is transferred to another air force, the loss entry in Section III of Ninth Air Force Form 110-A will include both the air force and unit within the air force to which the aircraft is transferred.

a. Example: "F-17-D, 42-12600, Loss; Permanent transfer: to 4th SAG, Mitcham, Str. 470, 8th A.F."

By Command of Major General VANWINKLES:

Gary E. Kell
Major AGD
Asst Adj Gen

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

APD 696, U S Army
29 November 1944

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SUBJECT: Officers Entering the Paris Area.

TO : See Distribution.

The following extract from Letter, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, U S Army, Subject: Administration of Paris and Environs, file AG 322 MFGA, dated 3 November 1944, is quoted for the information and compliance of all concerned:

"Officers entering the area of the Seine Section, Communication Zone, on official duty will register in and out at the headquarters or agency with which they are dealing. Officers entering the area of the Seine Section, Communication Zone, on an official mission, the nature of which would preclude signing in and out at any particular headquarters or agency, are required to do so at the Visitor's Bureau, Adjutant General's Office, Hq, European Theater of Operations, U S Army. (Hotel Majestic, Avenue Kleber, Paris)."

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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30 November 1944

SUBJECT: The Purchase of War Bonds for Christmas Delivery.

TO : CG's and CO's all Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
US Army.

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1. The Army War Bond Office, 336 West Adams Street, Chicago, Illinois, guarantees the mailing of bonds with standard Christmas enclosure in sufficient time to reach destination by Christmas, provided separate schedule, Treasury Department Form No. 1737, reaches the Chicago War Bond Office on or before 10 December 1944, and is designated as Xmas Bond Purchase.

2. It is suggested that the words "BONDS FOR CHRISTMAS DELIVERY" be printed with RED pencil in upper right hand corner of each schedule.

3. In order to determine the latest date on which orders will be accepted, it is suggested that War Bond Officers contact their local postal authorities regarding length of time needed for delivery to Chicago.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON,
Captain, AG,
Actg Asst AG.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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30 November 1944

SUBJECT: Survey of Office Machines and Gasoline Dispensers.

TO : See Distribution.

1. In order to furnish Communications Zone with information on which to base maintenance requirements, it is requested that a survey be made of all business machines in organizations and the following information furnished this headquarters:

- a. Kind of machine (Calculator, Typewriter, Duplicator, etc.)
- b. Make of machine (Remington, Monroe, Gestetner, etc.)
- c. Model number
- d. Size (this applies only to typewriters)

2. Any gasoline dispensers on hand will also be included in this report, showing the capacity of the dispenser in gallons.

3. Reports will be consolidated by XII Tactical Air Command and by First French Air Corps, and will be forwarded so as to reach this headquarters not later than 15 December 1944. Service groups, air depot groups, and separate units will forward reports direct to this headquarters not later than above date.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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10 November 1944

SUBJECT: Attachment of 71st Battalion, Aviation Engineers, French Air Force.

TO : Commanding General, First French Air Corps.

1. The 71st Battalion, Aviation Engineers, French Air Force, is hereby attached to the Engineer Command (Provisional), First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) for operations, only, in connection with the construction and maintenance of airfields assigned to this Air Force.

2. It is desired that the Commanding Officer, 71st Battalion Aviation Engineers, French Air Force, report to the Commanding Officer, Engineer Command (Provisional), First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) (Lt Col H. R. Hallock, C. . .) for further instructions in connection with operations and supply. (Ltr. US TAF (322) 3 November 1944).

For the Commanding General:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

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10 November 1944

SUBJECT: Orders.

TO : 2nd Lt. Carlos C. Kissinger 01060844 CAC, this Hq.

1. You accompanied by the following EM Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will proceed o/a 11 Nov 1944 from this Hq to Versailles, France on temp duty for the purpose of returning vehicles to this station and upon completion of this temp duty will return to prop organization and station:

T Sgt Arthur E. Wilson	36154715	Pfc Melvin H. Kessen	35625878
Cpl Richard M. Robinson	35369772	Pfc Elentrial King	14160555
Cpl John W. Smith	32361480	Pfc Frederick J. Langton	31329999
Cpl Harry S. Stanford	33681709	Pfc Gilbert Wallace	35565068
Cpl Henry Rieke	32729797	Pvt Columbus C. Goff	35444258
Pfc Floyd J. Gentry	34710651	Pvt William C. Johnson	14149698
Pfc Gabriel Kerti	35276827	Pvt Joseph S. Livoti	12085173
	Pvt Jesse N. Rock		37110262

2. TDM by GHT.

3. In compliance with Ltr, Hq European T of Opns, subj: "Violations of Restrictions in Paris Area" you are not authorized to visit Paris.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
Capt., Air Corps,
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AF 887
11 November 1944

AG 006 OpGA

SUBJECT: Thanksgiving Day.

TO : Commanding Generals, U S Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. Thanksgiving Day will be observed on Thursday, 23 November 1944, throughout the European Theater of Operations.

2. Wherever possible, and consistent with military demands, personnel of your command will participate in the usual observance of this day.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

/s/ R. B. Lovett
/t/ R. E. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS, NINTH AIR FORCE, APO 696, U S ARMY, 18 November 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and guidance.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

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APO 887
15 Nov 1944

AG 420 OpGA

SUBJECT: Defacing of Clothing

TO: Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
* * *

1. It has come to the attention of this headquarters that large numbers of enlisted men are wearing field jackets, HBT jackets, and other items of clothing, defaced or marred by pictures, unit designations, etc., in varying colors or stencilled in ink, in violation of the provisions of Section IX, Circular 365, War Department, dated 8 September 1944.

2. In view of the present critical demand for clothing and equipment, attention of commanders of all echelons is directed to the responsibility imposed on commanding officers by paragraph 13, AR 615-40, dated 24 April 1943, and to the necessity for enforcement of the provisions of Circular 365, referred to above.

3. All concerned will take such steps as are necessary to prevent defacing of clothing and/or equipment. Disciplinary action, when appropriate, is authorized.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT, (C)
Brigadier General, USA.,
Adjutant General.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 23 November 1944.

TO: See Distribution.
For information and compliance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

R. S. Barnard
R. S. BARNARD,
Captain, AGD.,
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WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington 25, D.C., 8 September 1944.

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IX—UNIFORM.— 1. It has come to the attention of the War Department that in some instances military personnel are defacing field jackets and herringbone twill jackets by placing or drawing thereon pictures, designs, names, mottoes, etc.

2. Necessary action will be taken by all concerned to insure that no drawing, painting, insignia, design, name, device, or attachment, other than those prescribed or authorized, is placed on any item of uniform, and then only in the manner prescribed for wear on the particular item of uniform.

[A.G. 421.1 (15 Aug 44).]

By order of The Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

J. A. ULIO,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

AG 091.411

17 November 1944

SUBJECT: Anglo-American Relations.

TO : Each Unit Commander, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army.

1. This headquarters is informed that German agents, able to pass themselves off as French, are circulating among British and American soldiers in wine shops, barber shops and similar places, attempting to stir up ill-feeling between them.

2. The usual method is to engage an American soldier in conversation about not liking the British, then telling him that the French do not like the British either, and will be glad when they have left France. With a British soldier the system is reversed.

3. All personnel of your command will be warned of this activity and ordered to report anyone who approaches them in such a manner.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

300.4

19 November 1944

SUBJECT: Orders.

TO : Capt. John E. Buchspice 01634575 Sig C, this Hq.

1. You accompanied by the following EM, 385th Signal Service Co (Avn) will proceed o/a 20 Nov 1944 from this Hq to Cognac and vicinity thereof on temp duty not to exceed 30 days on signal activities pertaining to this command and upon completion of this temp duty will return to proper orgn and sta:

S/Sgt Ignatz Kosmaczewski	32057885	Sgt Jack E Ingram	18020464
Tec 4 Charlie Poulos	14016245	Pvt George W Poitevin	6538772
Pvt Joseph Lakatos	6987272	Cpl Leroy J Weston	19082603
Pvt Emile A Roux	11098264	Pvt Samuel G Johnson	34670619
Pvt Harold Wolessko	32474272	Pvt Donald J Hazlodine	37478394
Pvt Joseph J Dallara	32888786	Pfc Thomas D Callahan	32803107
Tec 4 Anthony J Louria			

2. TDN by GMT. Rations will be carried.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
Capt, Air Corps,
Actg Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
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APO 374

300.4

19 November 1944

SUBJECT: Orders

TO : Lieutenant Colonel Harry B Young, 022569 AC, this Hq.
First Lieutenant John C Kroner, 0471109 AC, this Hq.

E X T R A C T

1. You, accompanied by the following named enlisted men of Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will proceed o/a 19 November 1944 from this Hq to ***** and such other places in Western Europe as may be necessary to carry out your assigned mission with the ***** on temporary duty approximately 45 days and upon completion of such duty will return to your proper organization and station.

Sgt Louis Germano 32755210

Pfc Fred C Morrell 35603957

2. Sufficient rations in kind will be furnished to complete this mission.

3. Travel by government motor vehicle and/or in military aircraft is authorized. TDN.

4. Travel directed is pursuant to authority contained in letter Hq European T'of Ops USA, file 300.4, MHM-GA, 25 Oct 1944.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON,
Captain, AC,
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AG 400.402

20 November 1944

SUBJECT: Preventive Maintenance of Power Unit PE-75

TO : Commanding Officers, all organizations and installations,
Advance Sec Com Z.

1. Reports received from Signal repair units assigned to this headquarters state that an excessive number of Power Units PE-75 turned in for repair have worn out bearings, the bearing apparently having burned out due to the lack of oil.

2. Oil should be changed in the PE-75 crankcase at the end of a 48 hour period of operation in accordance with War Department Lubrication Order No. 3016. The spark plug should be cleaned and adjusted at the same time, and the carburetor should be adjusted for best operation. The cylinder head should be removed and the combustion chamber cleaned at the end of a 96 hour run. The oil level should be checked frequently during operation since it takes less than a minute for a high speed motor to ruin the bearings if they become absolutely dry.

3. It should be kept in mind that to replace a bearing in the Briggs and Stratton driver unit means not merely disassembling the unit, putting in a new connecting rod, and then reassembling it. To replace a bearing, either a source of babbitt must be located and the bearing poured by a limited number of qualified repairmen, or a civilian shop capable of rebabbiting the bearings must be found. Think of this, and keep the oil level up in the PE-75.

By command of Brigadier General PLANK:

/s/ Jefferson E. Kidd
/t/ JEFFERSON E. KIDD
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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13 December 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

1. For information and guidance.

2. Reports of power units damaged through neglect have reached this Headquarters. The principles of thorough servicing and preventative maintenance, indicated in basic letter, are equally applicable to the PE-95 and PE-99. Detailed lubrication and maintenance instructions are provided with every power unit when issued.

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The importance of strict adherence to these instructions, within means available in the field, cannot be too strongly emphasized.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH AIR FORCE

APC 696, U S Army
20 November 1944

250.1

SUBJECT: Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Paris.

TO : See Distribution.

The following extract from Circular No 34, Hq, Oise Section, Communications Zone, European T of Opns USA, dated 11 November 1944 is reproduced for your information and guidance:

"IV. TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER, PARIS: - 1. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, with its Eternal Flame, located in the Arc de Triomphe, Place de l'Etoile, Paris, is considered holy ground by the French and held in reverence by them.

2. In order that US military personnel visiting the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier when on leave or pass in Paris will know how to conduct themselves, all personnel will be advised that the Tomb will be accorded the same honor as that rendered the Tomb of the American Unknown Soldier in Arlington, Virginia.

3. Personnel visiting or passing the Tomb will render the appropriate salute. If stopping at the Tomb, they will come to silent attention and salute, and will refrain from smoking, boisterous talk, and any act of irreverence. (AG 250.1 G-1)".

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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22 November 1944

SUBJECT: Orders.

TO : Major Robert B. Johnston 0428223 Sig C, this Hq.
1st Lt. Elmer H. Juster 01639019 Sig C, 878th Sig Co, 86th ADG.

1. You will proceed o/a 24 Nov 1944 from this Hq to Burtonwood, England and thence to London, England on temp duty approximately 6 days on signal activities pertaining to this command. Upon completion of this temp duty you will return to proper orgn and sta.

2. Where Govt qrs and subs are not available in the United Kingdom, reimbursement for actual cost of qrs not to exceed \$4.00 per da and per diem \$1.25 in lieu of subs are atzd in acc w/par 2c, Cir 63, Hq European T of Opns USA, 5 June 1944.

3. TDN by GMT, Rail, Military Aircraft and/or Surface Vessel. 60-114 P 432-02 A 212/50425.

4. Travel directed pursuant to authority contained in Ltr Hq European T of Opns USA, 300.4, MPM-GA 25 Oct 1944.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
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APC 696, U S Army
23 November 1944

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SUBJECT: Typhoid Fever, Tuberculosis, and Undulant Fever in Civilian Communities.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Reports indicate that there is at present an epidemic of Typhoid Fever in Liege, and sporadic cases in other towns and cities on the continent.

2. Typhoid fever is a water and food borne disease. Milk and milk products including ice cream are frequently sources of typhoid epidemics.

3. Thirty (30) to forty (40) percent of the cattle on the continent are infected with Tuberculosis and Undulant fever. Both of these diseases may be contracted by the consumption of milk and milk products from infected cattle.

4. Strict precautions must be taken to avoid infection from these potential sources of disease.

5. It is desired that the above be brought to the attention of all members of your command and that appropriate action be taken to prevent the consumption by military personnel of food, water, milk, and milk products including ice cream from civilian or any source not authorized by this Headquarters.

By command of Major General VANDENBERG:

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APC 696, U.S. Army,
23 November 1944.

PERSONNEL, MILITARY

Wearing of the Uniform

(This memorandum supersedes the following listed memoranda, this Headquarters: 35-22 dated 17 Feb 44, 35-22A dated 6 May 44, 35-22B dated 12 Aug 44, and 35-22C dated 27 Aug 44)

1. The uniform for personnel of the Ninth Air Force will be worn as prescribed in the regulations and orders listed below and as supplemented by this memorandum:

- a. AR 600-35.
- b. AR 600-36.
- c. AR 600-37.
- d. AR 600-39.
- e. AR 600-40.
- f. AAF Reg 35-22.
- g. AAF Manual 35-1.
- h. In accordance with orders issued by the Commanding General,

European T of Cons USA, and by the Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

2. The following uniforms are prescribed for all Ninth Air Force personnel, within the Communications Zone; for habitual wear at Headquarters, Ninth Air Force and vicinity; Paris and vicinity; at all times when personnel are on leave, furlough or pass, and outside any post, camp or station after retreat, unless in field exercise formations.

- a. Officers - service uniform (Class A).
- b. Enlisted men - service uniform (Class A), if available; otherwise, shirts, wool, G.I. Ties will be worn. (Black ties will not be worn).
- c. Enlisted women - service uniform (Class A).
- d. The jacket (battle dress), ETC, may be worn in lieu of the service blouse, if the trousers worn conform to the shade of the jacket.
- e. The fatigue uniform when required, is prescribed as follows:
 - Fatigues (one or two piece as issued).
 - Cap (H.B.T.).
 - Jacket (field or British type).
 - Shoes, issue.

f. Leggings, helmet and helmet liner will be worn only when specified. Under no circumstances will the cap, wool knit, be worn except under the helmet liner.

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3. Full field uniform will be worn by personnel traveling to and from points in the combat zone. The field uniform requires the helmet or helmet liner and leggings or combat boots and side arms.

4. Subordinate commanders at Air Force installations in the combat zone will issue instructions to conform with uniform regulations prescribed by Army commanders for the areas in which they are located.

5. Civilian clothing will not be worn except as specifically authorized by the Commanding General, Ninth Air Force.

6. Mixed or exercise clothing will be worn only during exercise or to and from places of exercise.

7. The wearing of the following articles in this theater is prohibited:

- a. Regimental or other lower unit distinctive insignia.
- b. Branch insignia having regimental or other designations attached.
- c. Cloth belts with Officers' type buckle by enlisted personnel.
- d. Officers' cap insignia (eagle) by other than officer personnel.
- e. Insignia denoting membership in the "Caterpillar Club", "Gold Fish Club" or similar organizations.

8. Civilian Employees for whom no specific Army Regulations or War Department directives have been issued, will wear the uniform authorized by the Commanding General, European T of Oms USA, or the Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe. The wearing of the following articles by such civilian employees in this theater is prohibited:

- a. Distinctive "US" insignia.
- b. Branch of service insignia.
- c. Metal buttons containing seals or insignia of the United States.
- d. Braid on sleeve cuffs.

The wearing of the Ninth Air Force Patch is permitted. Bone buttons will be worn in place of metal buttons.

By command of Major General VALENBERG:

OFFICIAL:

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C. E. SPEDACH,
Colonel, AGF,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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25 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Exercise of Court-Martial Jurisdiction.

TO : Commanding Officers, All units, this Command.

1. Commanding Officers of service units will normally exercise Special and Summary Courts-Martial jurisdiction over personnel of their commands in accordance with the provisions of A. W. 9 and 10 and Changes No. 1, AR 95-10, 29 June 1943.
2. All court-martial matters, including records of trial, will be forwarded through appropriate Depot or Service Group headquarters to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command (Rear), APO 374.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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26 November 1944

SUBJECT: Orders.

TO : Capt. Allen S. Arial 01035189 CWS, Hq 312th Service Gp.
Capt. Erson W. Wise 01280066 FD, Hq 312th Service Gp.

You accompanied by T/Sgt Charles Smolik 36353020 and Pvt Robert L. Fotters 35407444 Hq 312th Service Gp will proceed o/a 27 Nov 1944 to Paris, France on temp duty approximately 2 days for purpose of obtaining supplies and upon completion of this duty will return to proper orgn and sta. TDM by GHT.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. WILSON
Capt, Air Corps,
Actg Asst Adj Gen.

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MEMORANDUM)

NO. 65-5)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

STOCK CONTROL

1. A Stock Control Unit for Air Force Supply and Equipment will be established within the 86th Air Depot Group.

2. The Stock Control Unit will maintain records of all critical items of Air Force Supply and will control the distribution of these items within such Units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), as are served by the 86th Air Depot Group.

3. Lists will be maintained by the Stock Control Unit of such parts as are considered critical for First Tactical Air Force requirements. These lists will be compiled from BADA, USSTAF, current critical item lists and all information from supply activities which indicates an unsatisfactory supply level.

4. The 86th Air Depot Group will request any necessary reports from the Service Units, keeping these reports to a minimum consistent with insuring efficient control of critical items. All Stock Control reports requested by the 86th Air Depot Group will be completed and submitted without delay.

5. Pending issuance of new instructions and critical item lists by the 86th Air Depot Group, the Daily Critical Item Report which was formerly submitted to Headquarters, 2nd Advanced Air Depot Area will be submitted to the 86th Air Depot Group.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt Col., Air Corps
Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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2 December 1944

SUBJECT: Procedure in Supplying Air Force Equipment to the French or Other Allied Air Forces.

TO : See Distribution.

1. GENERAL: The purpose of this letter is to set forth the procedures in supplying Air Force Equipment and supplies to the French Air Force or other Allied Air forces.

2. SCOPE: The procedures as outlined herein will indicate the step by step procedures required in order to deliver such equipment and supplies to the French or other Allied Air Forces as are authorized for issue to such forces.

3. RESPONSIBILITY:

a. It will be the responsibility of each Air Depot and Service Team Commander to appoint an Officer as Reciprocal Aid and Lend-Lease Reporting Officer for his station. Station Supply Officer or Purchasing and Contracting Officers are suggested sources for Reciprocal Aid and Lend-Lease Reporting Officers. Name, rank and serial number of this Officer will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, AAF-590, AFO 635, (Attention: Reciprocal Aid Section).

b. It will be the responsibility of the Reciprocal Aid and Lend-Lease Reporting Officer to submit to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, AAF-590, AFO 635, (Attention: Reciprocal Aid Section) all Reciprocal Aid and Lend-Lease documents anywhere mentioned herein and to ascertain that all Reciprocal Aid and Lend-Lease transactions are reported from his station, including those of such units and detachments which may be assigned or attached thereto.

c. The Commander of any unit not attached or assigned to any station will assume the responsibilities set forth in paragraph 3, b above.

4. ORGANIZATIONAL EQUIPMENT:

a. Projects initiated for the French or other Allied Air Forces Air Missions in Washington, D.C. are accounted for before departure of the project from the United States by execution of shipping tickets by responsible French or other Allied Air Forces officials. In order to establish receipt of projects, when such projects arrive in the Theater and are delivered to the French by an agency of the First Tactical Air Force, Shipping Tickets in quadruplicate will be accomplished by the delivery agency of the First Tactical Air Force. The signature of an officer in charge of the French or other Allied Air Forces Technical Liaison Detachment will be obtained on two copies. Shipping Tickets will bear the following information:

- (1) Project number
- (2) Date of receipt
- (3) Vessel reference
- (4) Number of cases

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- (5) Total weight.
- (6) General description of contents in breakdown is impractical. Monetary evaluation need not be shown.
- (7) All shipping tickets will bear the statement:
"ISSUED TO FRENCH OR OTHER ALLIED GOVERNMENTS".

b. Shipping tickets will be distributed as follows:

- (1) Three (3) copies to Officer in Charge, French or other Allied Air Forces Technical Liaison Section, who will sign and return two copies to the First Tactical Air Force agent, retaining one copy for his file.
- (2) One (1) copy will be retained by transfer agent until the two signed copies are returned by the French or other Allied Air Forces Technical Liaison Section. Upon the return of the signed copies, one will immediately be forwarded to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, AAF -500, APO 635, retaining the second signed copy for the First Tactical Air Force supply activity file.

5. AIR CORPS SUPPLIES FROM THEATER STOCKS TO FRENCH OR OTHER ALLIED FORCES:

a. Direct delivery of supplies from AAF supply installations to the French or other Allied Forces Supply or Technical Liaison Section (Store Charge, AAF Form 81).

- (1) Request for material will be accomplished on Stores Charge Form No. 81 which will be prepared in four (4) copies.
 - (a) One copy to be retained by requisitioning unit.
 - (b) Three (3) copies, including the original, to be presented to the supplying agency by the French or other Allied Air Forces Technical Liaison Section. (This may be construed to mean an officer from a recognized French or other Allied Air Forces Service Group or Air Depot Group if a Technical Liaison Section is not maintained at the supplying activity).
 - (c) In the event material is available, the Supply Activity will retain the original copy and return two copies to the requisitioning French or other Allied Air Forces unit, showing the supply action taken.
 - (d) Shipping Tickets will be prepared and distributed as outlined in Paragraph 4b (1) and (2) for each transaction, and in addition to above information, will bear a reference, showing date and number of Form 81's covered by Shipping Ticket.
 - (e) When supplies are not in stock, one copy of the Form 81 will be returned by the Supply Activity to the requisitioning unit so marked. The second copy will be returned when supplies are made available, shipping tickets being prepared as indicated in (d) above.

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b. Issue of Air Corps Technical Supplies from Theater sources by Air or Rail Shipment to French or other Allied Units distant from AAF Supply Activity. (Issue on Shipping Ticket, AAF Form 104).

(1) This will be accomplished by means of Requisition Form No. 102.

- (a) The issuing Supply Activity will prepare Shipping Tickets as outlined in Paragraph 3b (1) and (2) above.
- (b) Shipping Tickets will be clearly marked ISSUED TO FRENCH OR OTHER ALLIED GOVERNMENT and bear the following:

- 1. Consignor
- 2. Consignee
- 3. Authority
- 4. Description of items
- 5. Quantities transferred
- 6. Unit price and total valuation.

6. VALUATION: Vouchers for transfer of property or services of any nature to the French Government will show the value in terms of dollars. Standard List Prices, catalogue prices or actual cost will be used. In the absence of list or catalogue prices, or cost prices, such values will be estimated by the issuing officer, using any information available. If, after making a reasonable effort, it is found to be impossible to place a value on any particular transfer, a supplementary statement will be typed on or attached to the voucher which is forwarded to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe listing in detail the purpose, classification, item and quantity transferred, whether for military or civilian use, the recipient government and the branch of service to which the item pertained. This statement will contain a complete description of the items transferred, using standard U.S. nomenclature and part number wherever possible, in order that a value may be assigned upon receipt of the report in Washington, D.C.

7. REPORTING: One signed copy of every shipping ticket or similar issue voucher recording Lend Lease transactions will be retained by the issuing United States unit and one signed copy immediately forwarded direct to Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, AAF 590, APO 635. A careful follow-up will be made in order to facilitate prompt reporting and to insure receipt by Base Air Depot Area, ASC, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe of signed forms by representative of the French and Allied Governments.

8. RETURN OF MATERIEL AND EQUIPMENT: Materiel and equipment returned by French units to USAF installations:

a. When articles received by French Air Force units on a Lend-lease basis are subsequently returned to USAF installations a tally-in will be prepared, headed: "Returned by French Air Force". The tally-in will show the consignor, consignee, description of items, quantity and condition. The list will clearly indicate which of the following classifications or combinations thereof are applicable in describing the condition of the item:

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Used...reconditioned
Used...useable without repairs

CLASSIFICATION "B"

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CLASSIFICATION "A"

CLASSIFICATION "B"

Used... repairs required
Items of no further value for use
as originally intended, but of
possible value other than as scrap.

Poor

NOTE: With the exception of items of no further value, a combination of classifications A and B will be used. One copy of the tally-in will be retained by the receiving unit and one receipted copy sent to the Commanding General, BADA, ASC, USSTAF for recording purposes.

b. Values on the tally-ins will not be secured at this time. However, where values are indicated on individual transactions by the French Air Corps unit concerned, dollar equivalents will be shown on the vouchers and the source indicated thereon.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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7 December 1944

SUBJECT: Correspondence.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Provisional)

1. Correspondence originating within units of this Air Force is being subjected to delay due to receipt of insufficient number of copies. The necessity of detaining communications to prepare copies for record purposes places an unnecessary clerical burden on each headquarters in command channels, and delays prompt transmission of correspondence.

2. Sufficient copies of correspondence must be made to insure that the original and one copy will reach the final addressee after one copy has been withdrawn at each intermediate headquarters.

3. All units will take cognizance of the seriousness of this situation and initiate corrective action immediately.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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SUBJECT: Automatic Issue of Special Service War Council
Books and Magazine Kits.

TO : Special Service Officers, All Units, First TACAF
(Prov).

1. Units not receiving War Council Books and Magazine
Kits should write to Special Service Division, Hq. ETO, APO
887, giving organization name (as shown on MRU Strength Return)
and APO number. Units should not write to the New York Port of
Embarkation about publications.

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DONALD K. SCHILLING,
Major, Air Corps,
Spec Serv Off.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (1ST AV)
APO 374

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10 December 1944

SUBJECT: PX Supplies for Allied Personnel.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The following teletype from Southern Line of Communications Communications Zone, ETOUSA, is quoted for your information and guidance:

"FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY TO FURNISHING POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES TO ALLIED LIAISON OFFICERS ASSIGNED OR ATTACHED TO U.S. ARMY UNITS OR HEADQUARTERS BY OFFICIAL ORDERS:

A. ALLIED PERSONNEL ASSIGNED OR ATTACHED TO U.S. ARMY HEADQUARTERS BY OFFICIAL ORDERS WILL SECURE SUPPLIES FROM POST EXCHANGES OR COOPERATIVES OF THEIR OWN NATIONALITY WHEN LOCATED IN AREAS WHERE SUCH INSTALLATIONS EXIST.

B. ALLIED OFFICERS LOCATED IN AREAS WHERE NO SUCH FACILITIES EXIST AND WHEN CERTIFIED BY THE COMMANDER OF THE U.S. HEADQUARTERS CONCERNED AS ON DUTY WITH OR ATTACHED TO A U.S. ORGANIZATION MAY BE FURNISHED POST EXCHANGE SUPPLIES THROUGH U.S. ARMY SOURCES."

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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In reply
refer to:
210.3

12 December 1944

SUBJECT: Relief from Active Duty.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
U. S. Army.

1. Attached copies of letters are forwarded for your information and guidance in submission of recommendations for relief from active duty made under the provisions of War Department Circular 341, dated 19 August 1944, Subject: "Relief from Active Duty of Officers for whom no Suitable Assignment Exists."

2. Letters of Recommendation will be submitted so as to reach this Headquarters in quadruplicate; also, a true extract copy of officer's DDAGO Form 66-1 or 2 will be submitted as an inclosure.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Ramsey
THOMAS G. RAMSEY
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

2 Incls:

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Incl 2 - Form ltr to subj G-Rel fr Act Dy.

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DATE

SUBJECT: Relief from Active Duty of Officers for whom No Suitable Assignment Exists.

TO : (Next higher Command)

1. Under the provisions of WD Cir 241, 19 August 1944, subject as above, it is recommended that _____, be

relieved from Active Duty.

Rank	Name	ASN	Arm or Service	Unit

2. a. Statement that the officer is currently not assigned to an established position, or is assigned to a position established for a lower grade, whichever is appropriate.

b. There exists no position and there is no position in prospect, commensurate with the grade and qualifications of this officer, to which he might be assigned.

c. This officer's record is such as to warrant separation under honorable conditions.

d. No disciplinary action or reclassification proceedings under AR 605-230 are pending or appropriate in this case.

e. Officer became surplus _____ (1 detailed statement as to why officer became surplus.)

f. A duplicate up-to-date copy of _____'s 66-1 (and/or 66-2) is inclosed.

2 Incls:

Incl 1 - Ltr of Notification

Incl 2 - WD AGO Form 66-1 (and/or 66-2)

Personal Signature
of Commanding Officer

1st End

UNIT:

TO : CO _____.

1. Approved.

2. There exists no position and there is no position in prospect, commensurate with the grade and qualifications of this officer, to which he might be assigned.

3. Current requisitions have been reviewed and no officer possessing the military occupational specialties of this officer is currently on requisition for assignment to this command.

(For the Commanding Officer (General):

Incl #1.

JOHN R. DOE,
Col., AGD,
Adjutant General.

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AAF - AFO

SUBJECT: Relief from Active Duty of Officers for whom No Suitable Assignment Exists.

TO : Lt. Col. JOHN R. DOE, O-123456, AF _____ AFO _____
(Unit)

1. Enclosed is a copy of (or reference is made to) Circular No. 341, War Department, 1944, subject: "Relief from Active Duty of Officers for whom No Suitable Assignment Exists."

2. It has been decided to recommend to the War Department that you be placed on inactive status under the provisions of the above circular. You are advised that this action is not final and you are subject to reassignment; therefore, it is suggested that any arrangements made by you for return to civil life be on a tentative basis only.

3. It is desired that receipt of this letter be acknowledged within _____ days after its receipt, together with any remarks you wish to make.

4. Request your reply contain a statement as to the amount of your accrued leave.

JOHN R. DOE, O-123456
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Commanding.

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JOHN R. DOE, O-123456, Lt Col, AF, _____ 1st Ind. _____ AFO _____
(Unit) (Date)

TO: Commanding Officer, _____.

1. Receipt acknowledged.

2. *a. I have no objection to relief from active duty.

*b. I desire to continue on active duty for the following reasons:
(This brief statement should also be included of civilian and military experience, supplementing information recorded on the officer's qualification card.)

3. I certify that I have _____ days of accrued leave.

*Recommendation for relief from active duty of an officer for whom no suitable assignment exists will be returned by the officer concerned, by indorsement to the initiating officer, with such remarks as he may desire to make. These remarks will include one of these statements.

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UNITED STATES ARMY

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APO 887
13 Dec 1944

SUBJECT: Discharge of Enlisted Men.

TO : Commanding Generals,
* * *
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
* * *

1. Letter, this headquarters, 25 Feb 1944, file and subject as above, is rescinded.

2. It is desired that authority to order the discharge of enlisted men, as provided for by Par 6b, AR 615-362, be exercised by all general officers having such authority.

3. Requests for discharge under the provisions of Sec III, AR 615-362 (dependency), and AR 615-365 (convenience of government), except those coming within the provisions of Par 3a, AR 615-362, from individuals who were, or will be, subject to Selective Service, will be referred to the Director of Selective Service of the state in which the applicant was registered, requesting his recommendation as to whether or not the circumstances on which the application is based would result in deferment if the individual were being considered for induction. All such applications forwarded to a state Director of Selective Service must show the local board and state of the applicant's registration, and the forwarding indorsement to the Director will request that the application be returned to the headquarters from which forwarded.

4. Normally the officer exercising discharge authority will base his final action upon the recommendation of the state Director of Selective Service. When, in his opinion, final action should be other than that recommended by the State Director, the application will be forwarded to this headquarters for final action.

5. The officers authorized to order discharge will take action as prescribed in letter, Hq, Communications Zone, 14 Sep 1944, file AG 370.5 MPGA, subject: "Procedure for Return of Individuals to the US by Water," as amended. Orders issued by commanding officers transferring enlisted personnel to the 10th Replacement Depot or Eighth Air Force Replacement Depot, after approval of discharge by competent authority, will cite the Army Regulations under which the discharge is to be effected. Discharge will be accomplished in the Zone of the Interior by the commanders of replacement depots or separation centers there located.

6. All requests for the release of enlisted men to a reserve component, all doubtful discharge cases, and all requests for discharge involving release within this theater (see Par 6c (1), AR 615-360), will be forwarded to this headquarters for final action.

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By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. Lovett,
t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 19 December 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

s/ J. B. Gordon,
t/ J. B. GORDON,
Colonel. ASD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

File: 311.1

13 December 1944

SUBJECT: Regulations Governing V-Mail.

TO : CG's and CC's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Provisional).

1. It is requested that the following instructions in the use of V-Mail forms, be brought to the attention of all members of the command.

- a. V-Mail forms will be sealed by enclosure only. Staples, clips, adhesives or any other type of tape will not be used.
- b. All V-Mail forms will be sealed and not sent in flat except:-
 - (1) Flat type or black V-Mail forms still in circulation will be accepted providing that they are not rolled or folded. The Unit Mail Clerk will preserve flat type black V-Mail forms for mailing by wrapping such forms between two pieces of cardboard so that they will remain flat.
 - (2) The flat type or black V-Mail form will not be used for inter-theatre service.
- c. Unit censor will censor letter on the inside only. Unit censor stamp will be applied to both sides.
- d. Units or individuals will not micrograph, print or lithograph V-Mail forms.
- e. V-Mail letters with photographs, clippings or any type of enclosure whether attached by fasten or otherwise are prohibited.
- f. Nothing will be cut out of V-Mail letters by censoring officers. Deletions will be made with ink only.
- g. V-Mail forms will not be written with crayons or grease pencils.

2. V-Mail received from individuals not complying with these regulations will be returned to the sender immediately.

By command of Major General RAYCO:

T. J. Bagan
T. J. BAGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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14 December 1944

SUBJECT: Return of Non-Flying Enlisted Personnel to the United States.

TO : Commanding General, III Tactical Air Command.
Commanding Officers: 86th Air Depot Group
89th Service Group
910th Service Group
917th Service Group
All Separate Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. This headquarters has been delegated the authority to return a limited number of non-flying enlisted personnel to the Zone of the Interior.
2. Request you submit to this headquarters names of members of units your commanded recommended for such return, together with a personal History Statement on each individual so recommended using the attached form which will be reproduced locally.
3. In submitting recommendations for return of non-flying enlisted personnel a minimum of eighteen (18) months overseas service since 16 September 1940 will be considered basic requirement.
4. No personnel will be returned if their return affects operations, or who speak German, French or Russian.
5. You are enjoined to use utmost discretion in selection of such personnel in view of morale problems it will present in the future.
6. All recommendations will be forwarded to reach this headquarters not later than 5 January 1945.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Royce
THOMAS G. ROYCE,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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Date _____ Military Occupational Specialty _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Grade _____

Army Serial Number _____ Unit Organization _____ Arm or Service _____

Marital Status (Check one):

Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____

Number of dependent children under 18 years: _____

Number of months served outside the continental limits of the United States since September, 1940: _____ months. (Inclusive dates): _____

Age: _____ Date of current enlistment: _____

Decorations: _____
(Not to include American Defense Ribbon, Good Conduct Ribbon, Theater

Service Ribbons).

Foreign languages spoken: _____

Has soldier been court martialled while overseas: _____

Is replacement required: _____

ADDITIONAL REMARKS: _____

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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15 December 1944

SUBJECT: Ammunition Forms.

TO : Commanding General's, and Commanding Officer's, ALL Units, First
Tactical Air Force (Prov) APO 374, U. S. Army

1. In order to have a uniform Ammunition Reporting Form, the attached
form will be used by all units under this command and by mutual agreement
with First French Air Corps.

2. All other forms being used which differ, are rescinded as of this
date.

3. The attached form will be reproduced by each unit.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Ironberg
THOMAS G. IRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Ass't Adj General.

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201. Cart. Cal. .303 Incan.			
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207. Cart. Sig. 1, S/S Green (Dr)			
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209. Cart. Sig. 1, S/S Yellow (Dr)			
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Club Officer

APO 374, U. S. Army
16 December, 1944

SUBJECT: Corrections and Amendments to the Constitution and By-laws.

TO : All Officers, Hq & Hq First Tactical Air Force, (Hq & Hq Sqs
63d and 71st Fighter Wings), 322d Sig Co Wing, 385th Sig Serv
Co Spl, 19th Vet Sec., 156th APU, 202 Med Disp Avn.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND AMENDMENTS
CONSTITUTION

Paragraph 28 was stricken out; paragraph 29, entitled "Amendments",
now becomes 28 and paragraph 30, entitled "Adoption", now becomes 29.

New paragraph 29, entitled "Amendments", amended:

"This constitution may be changed, altered or amended at any
general or special meeting of the membership, at which a quorum is present by
a vote of two-thirds of the full members present at such meeting, provided;
That written notice of any proposed change, alteration or amendment, be given
ten days in advance by posting such notice on the bulletin board of the club,
and on the bulletin board of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).
Such changes, alterations or amendments may be proposed either by the Board
of Governors or by a written proposal, signed by at least ten full members
of the club."

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BY-LAWS

Paragraph 30 added:

Article 7

Amendments

Amendments 30. These by-laws may be changed, altered or amended, at any
general or special meeting of the membership at which a quorum is present, by
a majority vote of full members present, provided; that written notice of any
proposed change, alteration or amendment be given ten days in advance of the
meeting, by posting such notice on the bulletin board of the officer's club
and on the bulletin board of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).
Such changes, alterations or amendments may be proposed by the Board of
Governors or by a written proposal, signed by at least five full members."

Paragraph 31 added:

Article 8

Adoption

Adoption 31. These by-laws will become operative upon a majority vote of
those qualified to become full members at a meeting called for that purpose."

Robert W. Kennedy
ROBERT W. KENNEDY,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Secretary and Manager.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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18 December 1944

SUBJECT: Wearing of the Uniform.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The following teletype has been received from the Commanding General, Hq. Seine Section, Com. Z, ETO, U. S. Army and is forwarded for your information and necessary action:

"The appearance of American Soldiers in Paris continues to be unsatisfactory. Letter Hq European T of OPNS 8 October 44, signed by the Theater Commander, SUBJECT: Violations of Restrictions in Paris, addressed to all Major Commanders, states that wearing of unauthorized combinations of uniforms and the improper wearing of garments issued must be discontinued. I have been given responsibility to insure compliance with this order. Due to short supply of garments in the Theater I have meticulously refrained from apprehending personnel wearing unauthorized combinations and have insisted only that whatever uniform the man had would be worn correctly. Due to the wholesale disregard of this letter the Theater Commander's order will be enforced immediately. Plans will be completed for apprehension to commence Thursday 21 Dec. The following will be considered as improper uniform or wearing of the uniform: Scarves other than olive drab, Leather Jackets, Leather Caps and any other special flying equipment, Sweaters as an outer garment, Work uniform or Work Trousers worn in combination with the Field Jacket, no Hats, wearing outer garments unbuttoned. Rogers"

2. It is desired that all personnel of this command maintain the highest standards of neatness and military appearance, particularly when they are in the Paris area.

3. Unit commanders will insure that all personnel of their organization are made cognizant of the existing regulations pertaining to the proper wearing of the uniform and that they comply therewith.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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SPECIAL ORDERS)
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19 December 1944

1. 1ST LT HERBERT L GROSS 01534504 MAC is reld fr asgmt to 312th Sv Gp, is asgd, VP Hq 64th Ptr Wg. TON by GHT.

2. MAJ HARVEY R CAMPBELL 0916291 AC is placed on dy w/Supply Sec of French Advisory Div, this Hq.

3. 1LT COL HOMACE B HARRIS JR 0361034 CE is reld fr asgmt to 647th Engineer Avn Bn, is asgd Hq & Hq Sq 63rd Ptr Wg and atchd, VP Hq & Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov). TON by GHT.

4. CWO FRANK C SHEARD W2110244 USA, having rptd to First Tactical Air Force Sv Comd (Prov) on temp dy, is further placed on dy w/Engineer Comd (Prov) First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

5. Pol O, Hq & Hq Sq 63rd Ptr Wg, are atchd to Hq & Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and placed on dy w/Engineer Comd (Prov) First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

MAJ THOMAS F HOOKER 01102772 CE 1ST LT THOMAS E DAWSON 01107096 CE

6. Pol O, Hq & Hq Sq 63rd Ptr Wg, are atchd to Hq & Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and placed on temp dy approx 30 days w/units indicated:

CAPT BASTIEN G LACHETIER	0572331 AC	- Hq First French Air Sv Comd
1ST LT JOHN W ROOS	0912294 AC	- Hq First French Sv Gp
1ST LT STUART G P SHALL	01994655 AC	- 64th French Sv Gp
1ST LT CHARLES A WEDERLIN	0560068 AC	- Hq 3rd French Sv Gp

7. Tec 5 James H Viggiano 32771664, 365th Sig Sv Co (Avn) is trfd in gr to Hq Sq 63rd Ptr Wg and atchd, VP Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

8. So much of par 1 SD 18, this Hq, cs, pertaining to amount of cash MAJ W C TANKERSLEY 0312636 FD Accountable Disbursing O t is Hq is atzd to keep on hand, as reads "cash in an amount not to exceed 150,000 or its equivalent in foreign currency" is amended to read: "cash in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 or its equivalent in foreign currency".

9. CAPT DONALD S STACKHOUSE 01200323 FD is aptd Class "B" Agent Fin O to MAJ W C TANKERSLEY 0312636 FD Accountable Disbursing O this Hq, for purpose of making such payments as are directed by CG, this AF. Auth: AR 35-320, 17 June 1943 as amended.

10. CAPT DONALD S STACKHOUSE 01200323 FD, Class "B" Agent Fin O to MAJ W C TANKERSLEY 0312636 FD, is atzd to keep on hand, at his own risk, cash in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 or its equivalent in foreign currency for disbursement for atzd purposes in carrying out instructions of CG, t is AF. Auth: AR 35-140, 26 May 1943, as amended.

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SO No 24 Hq First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 19-December 1944, cont'd

11. CAPT JACK J JONES 0393882 CE is designated Engineer Purchasing and Contracting O this Hq, in acc w/provisions of SOP No 10F Hq European T of Opns USA dtd 23 Sep 1944 vice CAPT WALTER G FRYER JR 01102904 CE reld.

12. One plst of 1994th QM Truck Co consisting of 1 O and 40 EM is atchd to 312th Sv Gp for rat, qrs, supply, admin and cons.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L PUTMAN
Lt Col, AC
Chief of Staff.

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Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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21 December 1944

SUBJECT: Cans, Gasoline

TO : See Distribution

1. The supply of Class III items is being hindered due to a shortage of 5-gallon gasoline containers. This shortage is largely due to the number of cans in excess of authorized allowances which are being held by individuals and units.

2. All 5-gallon gasoline containers in excess of the number authorized to be carried on vehicles, or which are required for the maintenance of reserves hereinafter set forth will be turned in to the appropriate Quartermaster supply officer or the nearest Class III supply point. Every effort will be made by each unit in prolonging the usefulness of the authorized gasoline cans on hand, and at no time will units accumulate cans in excess of allowances.

3. Units are authorized to retain sufficient cans on hand to maintain gasoline reserves to meet operational requirements in the amounts set forth:

Service Teams	5000 gallons
Service Groups	10000 gallons
Air Depot Group	8000 gallons

Engineer battalions and AAA battalions not serviced by a service group may maintain a 2-day reserve, and Chemical Companies, Air Operations, may maintain reserves as authorized by the Chemical Officer First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

4. Unit commanders will bring this shortage of gasoline cans to the attention of all individuals and will insure that every effort is made toward the conservation of such containers.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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K-O-4

22 December 1944

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SUBJECT: Winterizing of Equipment.

TO : Commanding General's and Commanding Officer's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. It has come to the attention of this Headquarters that units in this command have been unable to comply with directive concerning the winterizing of equipment due to the shortage of compound anti-freeze (Ethylene-glycol).

2. In view of this shortage, strict adherence is desired with the provisions of par. 7, Section II, pamphlet, file 451/2, Hq European Theater of Operations, Subject: "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles", dated 24 January 1944, which is quoted below for convenience:

"Vehicles Drained and Not Refilled: Drain the radiator, engine block, water pump, water cooled oil coolers on engines, oil coolers in bottom of hydromatic transmissions, water cooled air compressors and additional accessories. Instructions for draining are set forth in the various maintenance manuals. In each such case, a tag marked "RADIATOR EMPTY" - DO NOT USE UNTIL FILLED" will be tied to the steering wheel."

3. When anti-freeze becomes available, priority issue should be made to units by zones, as listed in Inclosure #2 of Ninth Air Force letter referred to in paragraph 1 above.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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23 December 1944

SUBJECT: Efficiency Reports

TO : See Distribution.

1. Rendition of efficiency reports will be delayed until receipt of new AR 600-185 and revised AGO Form 67, dated 27 September 1944.
2. The rendition of efficiency reports on general officers will be submitted as required in the usual manner.
3. Distribution of new regulation and form will be made as soon as practicable after their receipt.

By command of Major General ROYCE

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
Captain, AG
Asst Asst AG

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SUBJECT: Order of the Day

23 December 1944

TO : See Distribution.

The following order of the day issued by the Supreme Commander is to be delivered to every member of all headquarters and units under your command:
(from SIAMF Main, Signed: Eisenhower)

"To every member of the A.E.F.

"The enemy is making his supreme effort to break out of the desperate plight into which you forced him by your brilliant victories of the Summer and Fall. He is fighting savagely to take back all that you have won and is using every treacherous trick to deceive and kill you. He is gambling everything, but already, in this battle, your gallantry has done much to foil his plans. In the face of your proved bravery and fortitude, he will completely fail.

"But we can not be content with his mere repulse.

"By rushing out from his fixed defenses the enemy may give us the chance to turn his treat gamble into his worst defeat. So I call upon every man, of all the Allies to rise now to new heights of courage, of resolution and of effort. Let everyone hold before him a single thought--to destroy the enemy on the ground, in the air, everywhere--destroy him. United in this determination with unshakable faith in the cause for which we fight. We will, with God's help, go forward to our greatest victory.

/S/ DWIGHT D EISENHOWER "

By command of Major General WYCKE:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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23 December 1944

451.

SUBJECT: Care and Conservation of Automotive Equipment and Tires.

TO : Commanding General's and Commanding Officer's, All
Units of First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Your attention is directed to the Supreme Commander's proclamation of 2 December 1944 on the care and conservation of tires.

2. The care and conservation of automotive equipment and tires and the observance of the rules pertaining thereto, are strictly a function of Command.

3. Tires and vehicle spare parts are in critical shortage in this theater. This shortage will continue to exist in the months to come, because of heavy world wide demands, and distribution problems which increase as the fighting fronts advance and expand. For the same reasons, vehicle replacements will be held strictly to actual losses through enemy action.

4. Inclement weather increases automotive maintenance problems. During the coming months, mud, rain, snow and ice will create problems of maintenance far more serious than any you have faced in the past. Furthermore, the road system is rapidly deteriorating because of heavy traffic, inadequate repair facilities and expansion of the supply routes.

5. It is imperative that the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) protect its equipment throughout the winter months in order to retain the required mobility for future operations.

6. In order to reach this objective, Commanders are directed to increase the alertness of all personnel concerned with the operation and maintenance of automotive equipment. Prompt and severe disciplinary action will be taken against negligent personnel. Awards are encouraged for careful personnel. An educational program will be instituted by means of moving pictures, talks and pamphlets. Frequent and unheralded inspections and spot checks will be made.

7. The most serious offenses against which prompt corrective action will be exercised are:

- a. Speeding
- b. Failure to warm up motor when cool
- c. Failure to properly inflate tires
- d. Inadequate oil pressure

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Ltr. Hq. First TAC AF(Prov) dtd. 23 December 1944, Sub: "Care and Conservation of Automotive Equipment and Tires"

- e. Improper wheel alignment
- f. Failure to rotate tires
- g. Sudden application of brakes

8. It is desired that all personnel under your Command be instructed in accordance with the contents of this letter.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS

UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

24 December 1944

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SUBJECT: Duty Free Entry of Parcels into United Kingdom.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Pursuant to the provisions of message ET-2772, European T of Opns, US Army 2 Dec 44, and Postal Circular No. 34, European T of Opns, US Army, 2 Dec 44, the following will apply when mailing duty free parcels from the Continent to a United Kingdom address:

a. Value of material is limited to £8 per annum.

b. Parcels must bear completed British Army Form W5192. There is a choice of four labels:

- (1) White label for parcels valued up to £2.
- (2) Green label for parcels valued up to £4.
- (3) Red label for parcels valued up to £6.
- (4) Yellow label for parcels valued up to £8.

Any combination of these forms may be used for one or more parcels up to a total value of £8 during the year.

c. Weight limit must not exceed five (5) pounds, per parcel, including packing, regardless of value.

d. Parcels must not contain:

- (1) Alcoholic beverage.
- (2) More than one-half (½) pound tobacco (200 cigarettes or 50 cigars equal one-half pound weight) or any tobacco marked "H. M. Ships Only".
- (3) More than one-half (½) pint perfume.
- (4) More than two (2) pounds of any one food stuff.

2. This concession is not granted British civilians under contract or to US civilians or other persons not members of the US armed forces.

3. British Army Forms W5192 are issued by APO's to unit commanders on written requisitions. Unit Commanding Officers or designated officers of the unit will sign each form and enter name of person to whom form is issued. Strict control will be maintained to prevent misuse of the duty free labels.

4. Officers assigned to this Headquarters, and Headquarters, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe will requisition forms from Postal Officer, APO 633. Requisition will include officer's name, grade, serial number and assignment, together with the type form requested in accord with par 1b above.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

HARRIS F. SCHERER,
Colonel, AGD.,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS

FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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24 December 1944

SUBJECT: Christmas Greetings

TO : See Distribution.

The following messages from Washington, D.C. are quoted for your information:

"On behalf of a grateful nation, I send to the men and women of our armed forces everywhere warm and confident good wishes this Fourth Christmas of war. On Christmas day more than any other day, we will remember you with pride and with humility, with anguish and with joy. We shall keep on remembering you all the days of our lives. It is, therefore, with solemn pride that I salute those who stand in the forefront of the struggle to bring back to a suffering world the way of life symbolized by the spirit of Christmas - FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, Commander-in-Chief.

"From Secretary of War; Men and Women of the Armed Forces; at this Christmas Season the thoughts of the entire nation are with the troops. The candles which burn in the windows are beamed straight from the heart of America to the men and women in uniform. Wherever you are stationed; it is your Christmas that we hope to share. I have a very personal knowledge of your service and your sacrifices. I have been with you on distant fronts where your courage has overcome the fiercest resistance of the enemy. The pride I feel in your dignity in foreign lands, in liberated areas I have seen the gratitude of people whom you have rescued from the oppression and misery engendered by a savage foe. This year, because of you, the meaning of Christmas has been restored to them. From millions of homes the Spirit of Christmas flows out to the posts and bases and battle lines where Americans serve throughout the world. From thousands of altars the nation offers up its prayers for you in the midst of war. In sending you my warmest greetings I express the admiration of a grateful nation for your courage and fortitude. Through you the joy of Christmas will return once more to a world at Peace. Signed Stinson

"Following from Chief of Staff, Christmas Message to Troops-1944, Since my Christmas message a year ago a great change has come over the army. In Europe our troops hold a thousand mile front. American bombers and fighters are covering all of Germany. In the Pacific more and more troops and planes are being deployed against the enemy, and with the tremendous blows of the Navy, the liberation of the Philippines is now well within our reach. In Burma and China, American planes are punishing the Japs with the vigorous support of our ground echelons. The nation is thankful for the victories of recent months, the sacrifices of the men in the field. The people are very proud of the army and they have great confidence in its ability to crush the enemy's final resistance. This Christmas message goes to every man and woman in the service with my personal thanks for what each of you is doing and for the honor and security of America and for the liberation of oppressed people throughout the world. I am aware of the hardships and hazards that are your daily portion and I am conscious of the price you pay for every victory. May the Lord watch over you and may you find wherever you are some cheer in this Christmas Season. Signed Marshall

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Letter Hq 1st Tactical AF (Prov), 24 December 1944, subject: Christmas Greetings" continued.

"To the military and civilian personnel of the Army Service Force wherever they may be stationed my best wishes for this Christmas Season and my gratitude for a year of solid accomplishment. In the year which is closing you have performed your trying tasks with spirit and devotion. Each of you has a share in the credit for the advances we have made in administration, transportation or supply. I am confident that 1945 will be a period of fine achievement of which we all will be proud. Signed Sonervell"

By command of Major General RVC:

A. K. Wilson
H. A. TISON
Captain, AG
Actg Asst AG

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

25 December 1944

SUBJECT: Christmas Greetings

TO : CG's and CO's all units First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
US Army.

The following Christmas Greeting received at this headquarters will
be disseminated to all members of your command:

"WASHINGTON"

December 1944

Dear Regue:

This note carries my warm Christmas
greetings to you. Much of the success of our
ground armies on the Rhine can be attributed to
the invaluable air support given them by your
command.

Best wishes for continued success
during the New Year, together with my thanks
for your able leadership in this terrible
business.

Faithfully yours,

/s/ G Marshall

Major General Ralph Regue,
Commanding General, First Tactical
Air Force (Provisional),
APO 374, C/O Postmaster,
New York, New York."

By command of Major General HENRY:

THOMAS G. HENRY
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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SUBJECT: Christmas Greetings

25 December 1944

TO : See Distribution

The following message from General SPATZ is quoted for your information:

"Extend my hearty wish for a Joyous Christmas and my firm belief in their continuous effective use of air power in 1945 so ably displayed in 1944 to every man in your command, flying the planes and keeping the planes in the air, repeat air."

By command of Major General R YOR:

THOMAS G. KROENING
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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25 December 1944

SUBJECT: Overseas Service Bars.

TO : See Distribution.

1. All units will requisition bars, overseas, service from service groups. Service groups will in turn requisition this item from the Quartermaster, 312th Service Group.

2. Requisitions submitted will be for initial issue on the basis of two sets of bars per individual. Bars are authorized in accordance with War Department Circular No. 368, 30 June 1944.

3. Separate units will requisition directly from the Quartermaster, 312th Service Group.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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26 December 1944

SUBJECT: Distinctive Uniform for US Troops.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The following teletype from Headquarters, Sixth Army Group is quoted for your information and compliance:

"DESIRE IMMEDIATE ACTION BE TAKEN TO INSURE THAT NONE OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEING ISSUED OR SOLD TO FRENCH OR OTHER ALLIED PERSONNEL AUTHORIZED TO WEAR THE U.S. MILITARY UNIFORM CLOTHING:

BOOTS, SERVICE, COMBAT
CAP, FIELD, COTTON, OD, WITH VISOR
CAP, FIELD, PILE, OD
HOOD, JACKET, FIELD, M-1943
JACKET, FIELD, M-1943
JACKET, FIELD, PILE, OD
JACKET, FIELD, WOOL
INSOLES, FELT
SHOEPACS
SOCKS, WOOL, SKI
SWEATER, HIGHNECK
TROUSERS, FIELD, COTTON, OD
TROUSERS, FIELD, WOOL, OD (NEW TYPE)

IT IS UNDERSTOOD HERE THAT SOME OF THE ABOVE ITEMS ARE NOW IN POSSESSION OF THE FRENCH 2ND ARMORED DIVISION, SUCH ITEMS BEING ACQUIRED BEFORE THAT DIVISION CAME UNDER THE CONTROL OF THIS HEADQUARTERS. SUCH ITEMS AS ARE NOW ON HAND IN THE FRENCH 2ND ARMORED DIVISION WILL NOT BE REPAIRED AND RETURNED TO THE WEARER WHEN IN NEED OF REPAIRS, BUT WILL BE TURNED INTO AMERICAN SALVAGE CHANNELS. AS AND WHEN THESE ITEMS ARE TURNED IN, REPLACEMENT ISSUE WILL BE MADE WHERE APPLICABLE FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS ONLY:

ITEM WITHDRAWN

BOOT, SERVICE, COMBAT
CAP, FLD, COTTON, OD, W/VISOR
JACKET, FLD, M-1943
JACKET, FLD, WOOL

REPLACEMENT ITEM

SHOES, SERVICE
CAP, WOOL, KNIT
JACKET, FLD, OD
COAT, WOOL, SERGE

THIS ACTION IS NECESSARY TO PRESERVE A DISTINCTIVE UNIFORM FOR US FORCES. SIGNED DEVERS "

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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28 December 1944

SUBJECT: Preparation of Efficiency Reports.

TO : All Section Heads, this Headquarters.

1. Rendition of semi-annual efficiency reports as prescribed by AF 600-185 has been changed to include the rendition of a full report on all officers of field and company grade. These reports are to be submitted on a new WD AGO form 67, not yet received at this headquarters.

2. Because of the possibility of transfer or absence of reporting officers and/or officers reported upon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Efficiency Report Work Sheets will be prepared on all officers within each section of this headquarters by the section head of each section, and forwarded to the Adjutant General, this headquarters, to arrive not later than the close of business 3 January 1945. Section heads will rate and initial all efficiency reports without referring them to the Deputy Commanders.

3. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Efficiency Report Work Sheets are now available at AG Personnel Section.

4. WD AGO Form 66-1 or 66-2 (Officers qualification card) on reported officers will be rated to include 31 December 1944 at the time efficiency report work sheets are completed.

5. A copy of the First TAC AF Efficiency Report Work Sheet will be attached to each officers WD AGO form 66-1 or 66-2, and will be available for use in preparing actual efficiency reports when the WD AGO form 67 are received at this headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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31 December 1944

SUBJECT: Procedure for Quoting Tech. Orders.

TO : See Distribution.

1. It is requested that all units when quoting Tech Orders or parts numbers obtained from T.O.'s make proper reference to T.O. number, revision date and page number.

2. The above is requested in order to eliminate confusion that will arise on occasions due to non-uniformity of distribution of T.O.'s.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Trauberg
THOMAS G. TRAUBERG
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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In reply refer
to: 451

1 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Inventory of Air Force Special Purpose Vehicles.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Inclosed form will be completed to show all Air Force Special Purpose Vehicles on hand in your organization, including those temporarily deadlined or in shop for repairs.

2. This inventory will be accomplished in triplicate and distributed as follows:

a. Original to CG, 86th Air Depot Group, APO 374, US Army, marked for the attention of the Stock Control Section.

b. One copy will be forwarded to this Headquarters, and the other will be organizational file copy.

3. The inventory will be absolutely accurate and will, under the column; "AUTH IER T/E" carry an extract of the most recent publicized Table of Equipment. Space provided will be used to report U.S. Registration Numbers.

4. This inventory will be accomplished no later than 20 January 1945.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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319.1

3 January 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Sun Glasses.

TO : See Distribution.

1. It is requested that a report be submitted to this headquarters by each organization not later than 9 January 1945 showing the following information:

- a. Number of glasses, sun, spectacle type in unit.
 - b. Number of glasses, sun, clip-on type.
2. The above applies to Quartermaster issue glasses only.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
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3 January 1945

SUBJECT: Demolition of POL Supplies.

TO : See Distribution.

1. War Department Technical Bulletin, TB QM 27, dated 21 August 1944, contains the following paragraphs pertaining to demolition of POL supplies:

"If. Petroleum, Oil and lubricants. (1) Puncture gasoline cans and drums with axes, or destroy with machine-gun fire using incendiary bullets. Light metal cans are easily punctured with bayonets. Make at least two holes in each can or drum, in opposite sides or ends.

(2) Underground tanks can be pumped out, made to overflow by running in water with a hose, or ignited with a placed charge of explosives (if available) and blown up. Pump the gasoline from surface tanks or puncture the gasoline tanks with a machine-gun fire, rifle grenades or rocket launchers. Ignite, using incendiary bullets if available.

(3) Use dirt, sand, or sugar to contaminate gasoline.

(4) Grease, oil, and heavy lubricants do not burn easily, but destruction can be speeded up by pumping such lubricants into open gasoline storage or by saturating them with gasoline. Ignite with incendiary bullets or with a gasoline trail laid a safe distance from the material.

2. Since every unit must anticipate situations in which Quartermaster material and supplies must be destroyed to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy, it is requested that these units concerned with POL supplies be apprised of the foregoing.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.

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4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Promotion of Privates.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

The following letter, Headquarters, European T of Ops US Army, File AG 220.2P, subject as above, dated 17 December 1944, is quoted for your information and guidance:

"1. As announced by War Department message, 6 Dec 1944, AR 615-5, 30 Jun 1943, has been changed by the addition of new Para 1g and d, reading, substantially:

'g. Commanding officers authorized in paragraph 6 of these regulations to appoint privates first class may waive the requirement of an authorized vacancy to appoint to that grade, at their discretion, enlisted men or women who:

- '(1) Have completed one year of satisfactory service, or
- '(2) Have served, or are serving, outside the continental limits of the United States or in Alaska, except that individuals inducted or enlisted in a territory or possession of the United States will not be eligible for appointment under the provisions of this subparagraph unless they are serving, or have served, outside the continental limits of the United States (excluding Alaska) other than in the territory or possession in which inducted or enlisted.

'd. Authority of g above, will not be used for the automatic promotion of all privates in the categories listed therein, but will be reserved for those qualified for, but denied, promotion because of a lack of position vacancies in grade of private first class."

By command of Major General ROYCE:

THOMAS G. KROENBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Prohibition of Sale and Export of Works of Art in Germany

TO : See Distribution.

Letter from Supreme Headquarters, AEF, same Subject, dated 21 Nov 44 is quoted for your information and compliance:

"Law 52, Article II, paragraph 3 (1) of Proclamations, Laws and Ordinances, published in connection with the Military Government of Germany, forbids the sale, transfer and export of works of art and other cultural material. Its purpose is to make possible the restoration to their rightful owners of loot taken from other countries. In furtherance of this purpose, personnel of the Allied Expeditionary Forces in occupied German Territory will not purchase or otherwise traffic in such objects."

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Roebert
THOMAS G. ROEBERT
Major, Air Corps
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412.42

4 January 1945

SUBJECT: Generators for Range, Field, M-1937
TO : See Distribution

1. Indications are that replacements for set, conversion, for unit, fire, range, field, M-1937, may not be available. It is therefore essential that organizations preserve old style generator (Part #148) for use if new generator is not available.

2. Due to the critical situation which will arise if field ranges become unserviceable because of lack of generators, it is absolutely necessary that all commanders bring this to the attention of all units under their command.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps, 61
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FIELD UNIT
FIRST AIRBORNE AIR FORCE (TRAV)

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5 January 1945

SUBJECT: Publications

TO : Commanding General's and Commanding Officers all
units this Air Force.

Request this headquarters be furnished five copies
of all company, squadron, special and general orders issued by
all units of this Air Force.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. C. Wilson
H. C. WILSON,
Capt., A.C.,
Actg. Asst. AG

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

USSTAF REGULATIONS)

NO.....5-1)

5 January 1945

PUBLICATIONS AND REPRODUCTION

DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLICATIONS

(This supersedes USSTAF Regulations 5-1, 10 September 1944)

1. a. Publications of this headquarters and of Hq ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe will normally be distributed as follows:

DISTRIBUTION A. Staff Sections Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe (Rear), Hq ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and Hq AAF 573.

DISTRIBUTION B. Distribution A plus higher Hq, Eighth Air Force, Ninth Air Force, Fifteenth Air Force, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force, IX Troop Carrier Command, Eastern Command, First Allied Airborne Army, 5th Army Airways Communications Wing, Air Disarmament Command (Prov), Engineer Command, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 18th Weather Sq., and 70th Replacement Depot (AAF).

DISTRIBUTION C. Distribution B plus major subordinate commands of the Eighth Air Force, Ninth Air Force, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force, IX Troop Carrier Command, Eastern Command, 5th Army Airways Communications Wing, Air Disarmament Command (Prov), Engineer Command, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 18th Weather Sq., and 70th Replacement Depot (AAF).

DISTRIBUTION D. Distribution C plus all station commanders of the Eighth Air Force, Ninth Air Force, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force, IX Troop Carrier Command, Eastern Command, 5th Army Airways Communications Wing, Air Disarmament Command (Prov), Engineer Command, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 18th Weather Sq., and 70th Replacement Depot (AAF).

DISTRIBUTION E. Distribution D plus all units and detachments of the Eighth Air Force, Ninth Air Force, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force, IX Troop Carrier Command, Eastern Command, 5th Army Airways Communications Wing, Air Disarmament Command (Prov), Engineer Command, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 18th Weather Sq., and 70th Replacement Depot (AAF).

DISTRIBUTION F. Distribution A, plus limited distribution to major subordinate commands of US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

DISTRIBUTIONS prefaced by the letter X are used for ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe distributions. Distributions prefaced by the letter Z indicate distribution on the continent only. Distributions prefaced by the letter U indicate distribution in the United Kingdom only.

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b. The above system may be used also to make certain distributions of Supply and Technical Maintenance Instructions, as:

- (1) Distribution E (less Fighter Units)
- (2) Distribution E (less Bomber units and higher Hq)
- (3) Distribution E (less Service units)
- (4) Distribution XE (less VIII and IX AFSC)

2. a. Copies of publications included in distributions other than distributions A and B which are intended for commands, stations, units, and detachments, under control of:

- (1) Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe (Rear)
- (2) Eighth Air Force
- (3) Ninth Air Force
- (4) First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
- (5) Engineer Command
- (6) American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force
- (7) Base Air Depot Area, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
- (8) Continental Air Depot Area (Prov)
- (9) 18th Weather Squadron
- (10) AAF 379
- (11) IX Troop Carrier Command
- (12) 5th Army Airways Communications Wing
- (13) Eastern Command, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
- (14) Air Disarmament Command (Prov)

will be furnished in bulk to the above headquarters, which will be responsible for redistribution to subordinate commands, stations, units, and detachments..

b. The headquarters listed in 2a above will keep this headquarters advised as to the number of copies required by them to make distribution in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

3. The number of copies for each installation is given below.

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4. Hq European T of Opns, US Army		5	5	5	5	
5. Air Ministry		1	1	1	1	
6. European Div, ATC		20	20	20	20	
7. Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, each Staff Section	1	1	1	1	1	1
8. Hq ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, each Staff Section	1	1	1	1	1	1
9. Engineer Command		5	5	5	5	5
10. Hq US Strategic Air Forces in Europe (Rear)	35	35	35	35	35	35
11. Eastern Command		20	20	20	20	5
12. 5th Army Airways Communications Wing		10	10	10	10	5
13. First Tactical Air Force (Prov)		20	20	20	20	5
14. XII Tactical Air Command		10	10	10		
15. First Tactical Service Command (Prov)		10	10	10		
16. First Engineer Command (Prov)		10	10	10		
17. American Component Allied Expeditionary Air Force	15	15	15	15	15	5
18. First Allied Airborne Army	2	2	2	2	2	2
19. Base Air Depot Area, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe		25	25	25	25	5
20. Continental Air Depot Area (Prov)		25	25	25	25	5
21. 1st Base Air Depot		15	15	15		
22. 2nd Base Air Depot		10	10	10		
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28. IX Troop Carrier Command		25	25	25	25	5
29. Air Disarmament Command (Prov)		25	25	25	25	5
30. AAF 379	25	25	25	25	25	5
31. Hq Eighth Air Force		75	75	75	75	5
32. VIII AFSC			25	25	25	
33. VIII AFCC			25	25	25	
34. VIII Fighter Command			25	25	25	
35. 1st Bomb Div			25	25	25	
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37. 3rd Bomb Div			25	25	25	
38. Reconnaissance Wing (Prov) Eighth Air Force			25	25	25	
39. Wings, Eighth Air Force			10	10	10	
40. Hq Ninth Air Force	60	60	60	60	60	5
41. IX Fighter Command			25	25	25	
42. IX Air Force Service Command			25	25	25	
43. IX Tactical Air Command			25	25	25	
44. XIX Tactical Air Command			25	25	25	
45. IX Air Def Command			25	25	25	
46. 9th Bombardment Division (M)			25	25	25	
47. IX Engineer Command			25	25	25	
48. Hq Fifteenth Air Force (Information)	30	30	30	30		
49. 18th Weather Squadron	10	10	10	10	10	5
50. Station Commanders				5	5	
51. Units and Detachments					2	
52. Air Force Liaison Officer, APO 887, US Army	1	10	10	10	10	5

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4. The number of copies for each installation listed in paragraph 3 may be increased or decreased upon notification to the appropriate sub-distributing center of those listed in paragraph 2a which will in turn notify this headquarters of the desired change.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

E. P. CURTIS
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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5 January 1945

SUBJECT: Removal of Lead from Motor Transport Fuel.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. The common belief that the tetra-ethyl lead in motor fuel can be removed by filtering the fuel through gas mask canisters, thus rendering it more satisfactory for use in gasoline burning field ranges, lanterns, portable stoves, etc., is completely unfounded.

2. The following report from the 48th Chemical Laboratory Company is quoted for your information:

a. "The gasoline used in the tests contained 1.75 ml of tetra-ethyl lead before filtration. No removal of lead was obtained by this process although the removal of organic dye, water and sediment was noted. The impurities which amounted to 0.15% may be removed not only by filtration through gas mask canisters but also by other means of mechanical filtration as a fine dry sand column, or through thick close knit felt material."

b. "To our knowledge there exists no satisfactory and simple method of removing the lead from gasoline. This unit has previously worked on this problem at the request of the Chemical Officer, 3rd Army at which time our findings were concurred in by the Shell Oil Company Laboratories."

3. It can therefore be concluded that removal of lead from M/T fuel is impossible in the field and should not be attempted.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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SUBJECT: Issue of Jacket, Field, M-1943.
TO : See distribution.

6 January 1945

Information has been received from Southern Line of Communications, FTGUSA, that the Jacket, field, M-1943 is no longer authorized for initial issue. This item is in critical supply, and will be issued only as a replacement for Jacket, field.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps, C
Asst Adj General.

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7 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Blankets and Sleeping Bags.

TO : See Distribution.

1. A report showing the following information will be submitted to this headquarters not later than 15 January 1945:

- a. Actual strength of unit.
- b. Number of sleeping bags within each unit. (Note: This report is for sleeping bags of Quartermaster issue only. Air Corps Sleeping Bags are not to be included).
- c. Number of blankets within each unit.
- d. Number of sleeping bags desired by units in army areas, when sleeping bags are available, in exchange for two blankets, wool, OD.

2. All units of XII Tactical Air Command will submit reports to that Headquarters, who will consolidate reports and show the above information for each unit. Service Groups will do the same for units within their group. Separate units and units at this headquarters will submit reports direct.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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7 January 1945

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SUBJECT: Distribution of Wines and Liquors to the U. S. Forces on the Continent, European Theatre of Operations.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers of U. S. Units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) on the Continent, European Theatre of Operations.

1: Effective 1 December 1944, applications for supplies of scotch, gin, cognac and champagne will be handled directly by the NAAFI-EEI, hereafter referred to as NAAFI, through warehouses located at Brussels, Caen and Paris. Applications will not be processed by the Office of the Chief Quartermaster prior to presentation to NAAFI.

2. Applications for supplies of scotch, gin, cognac and champagne will be submitted by the purchasing unit to the NAAFI warehouse at 65 Rue Ordener, Paris.

3. In order to conserve military transport, and in view of the limited personnel operating the NAAFI warehouses, it is necessary that applications for liquors be consolidated by service groups or service teams and air depot groups, when possible, prior to submission to the NAAFI warehouse. Commanders of the above units are authorized to institute their own procedure for consolidations.

4. Release of supplies will be made daily from NAAFI warehouses to units of the U. S. Forces, except on Friday and Sunday.

5. When applying for supplies of liquors, units will furnish NAAFI with details as to the title of the purchasing unit, the APO number, and certified officer strength for whom supplies are requested. This information must be furnished by the purchasing unit by personal contact with NAAFI.

6. a. Upon presentation of the above information to NAAFI, supplies of liquors will be made available to officers' messes on the following ratio of distribution:

Whiskey - 1 bottle per officer per month
Gin - 1 bottle per 2 officers per month

b. Liquor will be released by the NAAFI warehouses to the purchasing units of the U. S. Forces only upon payment of the total cost price of the supplies as follows:

Whiskey - 76½ francs per bottle
Gin - 58½ francs per bottle

7. In view of the unavailability of transport, supplies of cognac and champagne are not stocked in all NAAFI warehouses. Information as to the sources of the supply of champagne and cognac

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will be available at the NAAFI warehouse, 65 Rue Ordener, Paris.

8. Supplies of champagne and cognac are available to officer personnel of the U. S. Forces on the following basis:

Champagne - 2 bottles per officer per month @ 110 to 175 francs per bottle.
Cognac - 1 bottle per officer per month @ 110 to 170 francs per bottle.

9. When sales are made by the purchasing unit to individual officers, the prices charged will be increased 10%, and the profit accruing therefrom will be disposed of in accordance with the instructions of the commanding officer of the purchasing unit. NAAFI will furnish the exact cost price when supplies are requested by the purchasing unit.

10. In accordance with the agreement with NAAFI, the above selling prices are applicable to personnel of both the U. S. and British Forces, and must be complied with.

11. Allocations of liquor must be collected by the purchasing unit from the NAAFI warehouses during the allocation period and will not be cumulative.

12. It is required that vehicles for transporting liquors be furnished by the purchasing unit at the time of the release of supplies by the NAAFI warehouse.

13. Champagne and cognac packing cases and bottles will be returned by the purchasing unit to the warehouse from which supplies are collected, in view of the acute shortage of these items on the Continent. The availability of champagne and cognac during the following months will be contingent upon the return of empty containers and bottles.

14. In view of the fixed quantities of liquors available, it is necessary that every effort be made to effect a maximum and equitable distribution thereof to the officer personnel.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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8 January 1945

SUBJECT: Litters.

TO: All Unit Commanders, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army.

1. The following is an extract to teletype received at this Headquarters from European Theater of Operations United States Army through Supply Division United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe:

"Litters is subject. Litters urgently required in chain of evacuation are rapidly disappearing from theater stocks in United Kingdom and on continent as reflected by depot stock reports. It is requested that investigation be made of stocks on hand in Air Force Hospitals and other units of subject item. Any quantities on hand should be returned to Air Force depots".

2. Investigation will be made of litters on hand in your unit, and all those in excess of authorized allowances will be returned to 1st Medical Supply Platoon, 86th Air Depot Group.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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SUBJECT: Requisitions for Quartermaster Supplies and Equipment in
Excess of Tables of Equipment or Authorized Allowances.

TO : Commanding Officers, All Service Groups
Commanding Officer, 86th Air Depot Group
Commanding Officers, All Separate Units

1. All requisitions for Quartermaster supplies and equipment
in excess of Tables of Equipment or authorized allowances will be
consolidated twice monthly by service groups, air depot groups,
and separate units. These requisitions will be submitted to this
headquarters on the 10th and 25th of each month only.

2. Emergency requisitions may be submitted to this headquar-
ters at any time.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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9 January 1945

SUBJECT: Correction of USSIAF Regulations No. 80-5, dated 1 Jan 45
TO : See Distribution.

The following correction should be made in USSIAF Regulations
No. 80-5, dated 1 January 1945, subject: "Administrative Practices
-- Claims":

a. The first paragraph of Inclosure No. 1, which states in
part that a copy of the R.A.F. Form C.A.P. 3 will be "mailed to the
Chief of Claims, Headquarters, SCS, WTC, APO 871, U.S. Army" should
be changed to read "mailed to the U.S. Liaison Officer, Aircraft
Damage Section, APO 204, U.S. Army".

By command of Major General ROYCE:

J. J. Brogan
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Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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UNITED STATES ARMY

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APC 637
10 January 1945

AG 210.711 x 220.711 OPGA

SUBJECT: Passes to Paris.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

Letter, this headquarters, file AG 210.711 x 220.711 OPGA, subject:
"Suspension of Leaves, Passes and Furloughs to Paris", dated 21 December 1944,
and TCM message EX-77028, dated 21 December 1944, are rescinded.

By command of General BISHOP:

s/ R. B. Lovett
t/ R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

1st Ind
HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APC 637, US ARMY, 11 January 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

s/ J B G
t/ J. B. G.

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TO: See Distribution.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV) V-D-1
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10 January 1945

SUBJECT: Area Regulations:

To : See Distribution.

1. Due to the fact that Military Police jurisdiction over all military personnel when away from posts, camps, or stations is vested with various organizations throughout France, this letter is published to show the restrictions and regulations peculiar to the particular areas, for your information and compliance when in those sectors. As changes are received at this Headquarters they will be published in supplemental letters so that the pertinent regulations will be known by all personnel of this command.

2. The constant changing of the area boundaries of combat units precludes the locating in this directive, of these areas. Unit commanders are responsible that personnel of their commands are cognizant of the regulations in the areas which they frequent, either on duty, pass, furlough, or leave.

3. CONTINENTAL ADVANCE SECTION:

a. Permanent locations of Military Police:

(1) Military Police render general supervision over the entire COMAD area, but have permanent detachments in Chaumont, Dijon, Dole, Chalon-sur-Saone, Vesoul, Poligny, Gray, Is-s-Tille, Langres, Besancon and Beaune.

(2) It is recommended that unit commander or station provost officers contact, personally, the provost officers located in any of the above named towns that are frequented by personnel of their command.

b. Wearing of the Uniform:

(1) Coats, overcoats, raincoats and field jackets will be kept buttoned.

(2) The issue model sweater, but no other, may be worn as an outer garment indoors only: outdoors it may be worn only as an inner garment and will not be visible.

(3) The cap, garrison, will be worn when not in combat or simulated combat conditions, or on duty requiring headgear issued for special purposes, except that the helmet liner

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may be worn as protection from the sun or during inclement weather. The service cap is optional for officers and warrant officers when not in formation with troops. The knitted wool cap will not be worn either on or off duty except under the helmet liner.

(4) The necktie will be worn by all personnel at all times, except when engaged in heavy duties, field duty, or training period.

c. Traffic Regulations. The operation of motor vehicles will be as prescribed in letter, H4. ETOUSA, file 451/2 PUBGC, 24 January 1944, "Maintenance and operation of Motor Vehicles". Where there is a contradiction, the regulation prescribed by the sector commanders, as stated in this letter will govern.

(1) Speed Limits (except as indicated by posted signs or local conditions).

Cars, sedan, light or medium	55 MPH
Trucks, 1/4 ton and motorcycles	40 MPH
Trucks, 1/2 ton and 3/4 ton	35 MPH
Trucks, 1 1/2 ton and 2 1/2 ton	30 MPH
Half tracked vehicles	30 MPH
All vehicles in built up areas	25 MPH
Tanks, and trucks, 4 ton and 6 ton	20 MPH

(2) Lights:

(a) Except during a "blackout" vehicles may use any of the following methods of lighting:

1. Low beam dim headlights.
2. Metal blackout shields.
3. Face of lens painted black with paint removed to allow for a crescent-shaped space two inches long and one-half inch high, with top of space below the center line of the lens.
4. Upper half of the lens painted black and lower half painted blue.

(b) During a "blackout" all vehicles, except emergency vehicles, will pull to the extreme right hand side of the road, halt, and extinguish all lights.

(3) Transporting Civilians:

(a) Whatever the circumstances, whenever an officer, authorized to do so, approves the transporting of civilians an official pass or indorsement in a form substantially as below, must be issued and placed in the possession of the driver of the government vehicle:

_____ is authorized to transport
(Name and rank of driver)
the following civilians _____

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in U.S. Government vehicle _____ USA # _____
(type)
from _____ to _____ (and return) on _____
(place) (place) (date)
at _____ hours. Civilians are being transported for
official business and their presence is necessary for the
accomplishment of the official business for which the trip
is being made, or are being transported in connection with
authorized recreational activities to and from a fixed
assembly point under the supervision of a Special Service
Officer or an officer designated therefor.

(Signature of a Field Grade Officer)

(4) Not more than one person, in addition to the
driver, will ride in the front seat of any vehicle.

(5) The driver of a vehicle is prohibited from
smoking while the vehicle is in motion.

(6) No military vehicle will be left unattended
unless it is in an official garage or a patrolled and guarded
area.

(7) The operation of a motor vehicle by military
personnel owned by any member of the military service is pro-
hibited.

(8) a parking lot for all allied motor vehicles in
Dijon is located at Place de la Republique and is under 24
hour guard.

(9) All vehicles recovered or impounded will be re-
tained in the motor pool of Military Police Hq., Hotel De
Ville, Place d'Armes (ex Place Marechal Petain), Dijon.

(10) Emergency roadside service will be furnished
in the vicinity of Langres upon telephone notification to the
"Atlantic Arsenal", telephone CONAD 703, on the following
routes from Langres:

- (a) Route N-67 to Champlitte
- (b) Route N-67 to Longeau then take N-74 to
Orville
- (c) Route N-74 to Montigny then 419 to Meuse
and N-429 to junction of GC-39.
- (d) Route N-19 to Combeautonnaie.

(11) Authority for road movement of all convoys of
five or more vehicles must be secured at least 24 hours in ad-
vance of movement from the highway Division, Office of Trans-
port and Movement, 23 Rue de Talent, Dijon or telephone
CONAD 296.

d. Off Limits:

(1) The following areas and places are "Off limits"
to all military personnel:

- (a) all brothels and houses of prostitution.

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(b) Commercial establishments and bars posted with "Off Limits" signs.

(c) The town of Gy, Department of Haute-Saône, on Dijon, Gray, Vesoul highway.

(d) The city of Besançon, except for official business.

e. Meals or food will not be purchased in any civilian restaurant.

f. Curfew:

(1) Curfew throughout the Dijon area will be from 2300 hour to 0600 hours. All personnel not on official business will be within billets or bivouac areas during that time.

(2) Unit commanders will insert on the reverse side of the Class "B" pass (see appendix 1, ETOUSA Cir. 34, cs) 2300 hours instead of 0100 hours.

g. Prophylaxis stations in the dijon area are located at:

- (1) Lycee Garnot (Enlisted Mens Quarters)
- (2) Rue Didenot and Rue de Lycee
- (3) 71 Cours de Parc (south of Place Wilson)
- (4) 13 Rue des Gondrans

4. THIRD U. S. ARMY:

a. Uniform Regulation:

(1) Personnel in the area under the jurisdiction of Third U. S. Army will habitually wear the following articles of uniform whether on duty, pass, furlough, or on leave status, in addition to those regularly prescribed:

(a) Steel helmet and liner with the web chin strap buckled around the back of the helmet. Helmets and liners of all officers and warrant officers except Chaplains will bear metal insignia of rank, brazed or cemented on the steel helmet and painted on the helmet liner with the center of the insignia 2 3/4 inches above the front brim. Chaplains will substitute the branch insignia for the rank insignia and prepare helmets and liners as indicated above. Helmets and liners of enlisted men, except Military Police, will bear no markings or insignia.

(b) Leggings, canvas.

(c) Arms, as issued, and belt, pistol or cartridge.

(2) The cap, wool, knit will not be worn as outer headgear.

b. Traffic Regulations. The operation of motor vehicles will be as prescribed in letter, Hq ETOUSA, File 451/2 PUBGC, 24 January 1944, "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles". Where there is a contradiction, the regulation prescribed by the sector commanders, as stated in this letter, will govern.

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(1) Speed limits (except as indicated by posted signs or local conditions).

	Daylight	Night (Blackout)
Passenger cars, trucks 1/4 ton and 3/4 ton C and R	40 MPH	20 MPH
3/4 ton weapons carriers and heavier vehicles	30 MPH	15 MPH
All convoys and all vehicles in towns and cities	25 MPH	

(2) Lights:

(a) Army Light Line coincides with Division rear boundary.

(b) Vehicle lights will be used as follows:

1. Full headlights in rear of Army Light Line.
2. Marker (cat eyes) lights for all vehicles in front of Army Light Line.

(c) All obstacles will be removed from front and rear of vehicles where they obstruct the full benefits of the head and tail lights.

(3) Civilians may be carried in United States Military vehicles on official business. Written authority will be provided by the responsible officer to the vehicle driver where the transportation of the civilians is authorized under existing regulations or to the officer in charge in all cases where displaced persons or refugees are carried in convoy under Civil Affairs military government auspices. In addition to this written authority, convoys of refugees or displaced persons will carry on the lead vehicle a placard "Displaced Persons". The written authority will include date, names of passengers, nature of official business, destination, and organization of the authorizing officer.

(4) Not more than one person beside the driver will ride in the cabs or front seats of any vehicles.

(5) Drivers will not smoke while driving.

(6) Trucks, 1/4 ton will not carry more than four persons except in operational emergencies at or near the front line.

(7) On Military Highways voluntary halting, stopping or halting for any purpose is forbidden unless all wheels of the vehicle are clear of the normally travelled road surface.

(8) Vehicles will not be left unattended unless under immediate surveillance of guards or in authorized guarded parking lots.

(9) Vehicle Corrals:

(a) Vehicle Corrals have been established for the detention of violators of traffic rules and regulations. Vehicles and drivers impounded in "Vehicle Corrals" will be held from one (1) to twelve hours for booking, and to remove from the highways those vehicles and drivers constituting a menace to the controlled flow of traffic.

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(b) The following violations will warrant detention in "Vehicle Corrals": speeding, double-banking, light violations, reckless driving, driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquors, failure to maintain the prescribed 60 yard distance between vehicles when moving or at a halt, disobedience of Military Police traffic directions, and any of the following vehicles passing any other moving vehicle or halted convoy, except by direction of Military Police:

Trucks, 3/4 ton weapons carrier

Trucks, 1-1/2 ton cargo

Trucks, 2-1/2 ton cargo

All other wheeled or tracked vehicles over 3/4 ton capacity.

(10) Convoys:

(a) All units or detachments will secure permission from Army Headquarters prior to entering Third Army Area.

(b) All convoys of 10 or more vehicles will secure clearance through Traffic Headquarters of convoy origin as soon as the necessity for the move is determined.

(c) Request for clearance will include the following information:

1. Headquarters requiring clearance
2. Name of Convoy Commander
3. Unit to move
4. Authority to move
5. Total number of vehicles
6. Total number of march units
7. Total number of serials
8. Heaviest type vehicle in column
9. Present location of unit
10. Destination
11. Time and date movement desired
12. Route desired

(d) Unauthorized convoys will be halted by Military Police and will not be allowed to proceed until clearance is obtained.

c. Curfew in all towns is 2000 to 0600 hours. All military personnel below the grade of field officer will be off streets and clear of town during curfew hours.

d. Pass policy for Nancy, France:

(1) The city of Nancy is off limits to military personnel except as follows:

(a) Five (5) percent of T/O strength of units stationed in the area west of Nancy bounded as follows: : Moselle River from its junction with the Meurthe River west to Condreville (inclusive), south along unnumbered highway (inclusive) to Fort Villey-Le-Sec on the Moselle River (inclusive) thence east southeast along the Moselle River to Third United States Army south boundary may visit on any one day.

(b) Passes will not be made effective earlier than 1200 hours and will expire not later than 2000 hours.

(c) No twenty-four hour passes will be issued.

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c. Summary Courts: Summary Courts have been established under the supervision of the Army Provost Marshal to bring swift justice and immediate punishment to traffic violators and other offenders. These courts will be moved to critical points as required, and will be set up and try offenders on the spot. Offenses beyond the jurisdiction of the courts will be investigated and referred to appropriate commander for necessary action.

5. Seventh U. S. ARMY:

a. Wearing of the uniform. The uniform for all personnel in Seventh Army Area will be as prescribed by AR 600-35, AR 600-37, and AR 600-40 with the following limitations:

(1) Headgear:

- (a) Steel helmets will be worn by all personnel forward of Corps rear boundary.
- (b) Helmet liners may be worn as an outer garment by personnel in rear of Corps rear boundaries providing the steel helmet is readily available.
- (c) Cap, wool knit will not be worn as an outer garment.

(2) Uniform:

- (a) Sweaters will not be worn as an outer garment.
- (b) All outer garments will be worn properly fastened.
- (c) Combat boots, leggings, or shoe pacs will be worn with trousers neatly tucked inside the legging or boot.

(3) Weapons:

- (a) U. S. issue weapons as provided the individual by current T/E are the only weapons authorized for use by troops on duty in rear of Division rear boundary.
- (b) Personnel on pass, except commissioned officers equipped with sidearms by T/E, will not carry any weapons, including razors, and knives with over a three inch blade.

b. Traffic Regulations. The operation of motor vehicles will be as prescribed in letter, Hq. ETOUSA, file 451/2 PUBGC, 24 January 1944, "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles". Where there is a contradiction the regulation prescribed by the sector commanders, as stated in this letter, will govern.

(1) Speed limits (except as indicated by posted signs or local conditions).

Cars, sedan, light or medium	55 MPH
Trucks, 1/4 ton and motorcycles	40 MPH
Trucks, 1/2 ton and 3/4 ton	35 MPH
Trucks, 1 1/2 ton and 2 1/2 ton	30 MPH
Half-tracked vehicles	30 MPH
All vehicles in Army Area	25 MPH
Tanks, light and medium	20 MPH
Trucks, 4 ton and 6 ton	20 MPH

(2) Lights:

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(a) Forward of Army rear boundary, total blackout will prevail except on vehicles equipped with authorized blackout lamps.

(b) In rear of Army boundary vehicles will use low beams, dim headlights, or one of the following adopted methods of temporary blackout:

1. Metal blackout shields.
2. Painting face of lens black with paint removed to allow for a crescent shaped space 2" long and 1/2" high, with the top of the space 1" below the center line of the lens.
3. Painting upper half of the lens black and the lower half blue.

(c) During a blackout all headlights will be extinguished, and a speed limit of ten (10) MPH will be observed. Vehicles within or entering an area in which a smoke screen is being generated will come to a halt and extinguish all lights.

(3) Civilians will not be permitted in government vehicles except for recreational purposes when the provisions of letter, Hq. ETOUSA, file 451/2 PUBG, 24 January 1944, "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles" will be complied with and when on official business at which time their names will be plainly written on the trip ticket by an officer and the nature of the business indicated.

(4) Not more than one person in addition to the driver will ride in the front seat of any vehicle.

(5) The driver of a government vehicle is prohibited from smoking while the vehicle is in motion.

(6) Transportation of liquor by personnel in government vehicles is prohibited.

(7) Officers will not drive vehicles except in emergencies in battle areas.

(8) Vehicles will not be left unattended except in parking lots where entrances are controlled by guards. Such vehicles will be immobilized by a lock and chain device.

c. Off Limits:

(1) All brothels and houses of prostitution, boarding houses (pension) and unauthorized hotels.

(2) All bars, restaurants, and barber shops except those posted as approved for use by troops.

(3) Personnel will not patronize bars before 1400 hours or after 2000 hours, nor will they enter bars posted "Off Limits".

d. Curfew:

(1) All enlisted personnel, except those on official business when they will have written authority from Unit Commanders

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showing nature of business, time and destination, will clear the streets and roads by 2030 hours.

(2) Units desiring to send groups into the Army Area for movies or entertainment necessitating troops remaining in or coming into town after 2030 hours will apply to the Special Services Officer, Seventh Army, for permission to do so. Such groups will have a commissioned officer in charge.

e. Purchases:

(1) Purchases of rationed commodities and food-stuffs, including bread, are prohibited. Unrationed food items are at present limited to fruit and vegetables.

(2) Meals will not be purchased in civilian restaurants.

f. Misconduct towards the population of Alsace will not be tolerated under any conditions and will be severely dealt with. The excuse that a person was taken for a German because he spoke German will not be accepted under any circumstances.

6. It must be remembered that delinquencies by personnel of this command place an additional and unnecessary burden on the Military Police in the area concerned. It is desired that repetitious offenders be made the subject of severe disciplinary action.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Ass't Adjutant Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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400.12

13 January 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioning Basis for Prestone (Ethylene Glycol) Anti-freeze.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding Officers, all other units First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. When requesting Prestone (Ethylene Glycol) for winterizing vehicles, all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be governed by the fact that minimum temperatures in this sector have not been less than ten degrees below zero, Fahrenheit. It is therefore directed that the following figures for the mixing of Prestone (Ethylene Glycol) and water be made standard.

	Capacity	17 qts Prestone	7 qts
AMBULANCE 3/4 ton, 4x4	17	7	7
CAR, 5-pass, light sedan	14	6	6
TRUCK, 1 ton, 4x4 cargo	11	4	4
TRUCK, 3/4 ton, 4x4 C/R	17	7	7
TRUCK, 3/4 ton 4x4 1/C	17	7	7
TRUCK, 1 1/2 ton, cargo	17	7	7
TRUCK, 1 1/2 ton 4x4 bomb service, M-6	17	7	7
TRUCK, 1 1/2 ton, 6x6 P/O	18	7	7
TRUCK, 2 1/2 ton, 6x6	18	8	8
TRUCK, 4 ton, 6x6 wrecker	43	19	19
TRUCK, 4 ton, 6x6 dump	46	19	19
TRUCK, 6 ton, Prime Mover	72	23	23
TRUCK, 4-5 ton, 4x4 tractor	36	15	15
TRUCK, 5-6 ton, 4x4 tractor	36	15	15
TRACTOR, 2 ton, M-5, crane	43	19	19

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

THOMAS G. HONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
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14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Educational Requirements Information.

TO : See Distribution.

1. To formulate and develop satisfactorily the Information-Education Program of this Air Force certain information is required. The following will be forwarded under separate cover so as to reach this Headquarters not later than 1 February 1945:

- a. The number of personnel who have not completed the fifth grade.
- b. Name, rank, and serial number of officers and enlisted personnel qualified as instructors, with the following information:
 - (1) Subject qualified to teach and whether primary, intermediate or advanced.
 - (2) Qualifications of personnel qualified to teach will be given briefly.
- c. Instructors need not be college graduates, but in academic fields some college education is preferable.

2. A survey will be inaugurated immediately to ascertain courses of instruction desired by individuals of your command. The results of this survey will be forwarded under separate cover so as to reach this Headquarters not later than 10 February 1945.

- a. Both vocational and academic courses will be included.
- b. Courses will be listed in order of popularity.

By command of Major General BOYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

19 January 1945

USSTAF REGULATIONS)
NO.....65-2)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

COMMUNICATIONS AIRCRAFT

(This Regulation rescinds USSTAF Regs 65-2, 31 Jan 44, 65-2A, 27 March 44, 65-2B, 28 May 44 and 65-2C, 4 Sep 44).

1. The allocation, procurement and delivery of Communications aircraft will be a function of the Commanding General, Air Service Command, U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe. Such airplanes may be either American or British as availability permits.

2. Communications aircraft are defined as all types of aircraft which do not fall into tactical, troop carrier or training categories.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAMTZ:

E. P. CURTIS
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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HARRIS F. SCHERER,
Colonel, AGC,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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19 January 1945

SUBJECT: Marking Of Motor Vehicles

TO : Commanding Generals And Commanding Officers All Units
First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, U.S. Army

1. All marking of motor vehicles will be in accordance with paragraph 10, Section III, AR 850-5, Section XVI, EPO Pamphlet, file AG 451.2, Pub. GC, dated 24 January 1944, and Memorandum No. 200-3, HQ, USAF, dated 5 May 1944, and all amendments thereto.

2. Front and rear unit vehicle markings are divided into four groups and will conform substantially to the following examples which may be used as a general guide in marking motor vehicles. Markings for any units from which samples are not listed below will be in conformity with the directives referred to in paragraph 1.

3. Examples:

		Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
I	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 1st TAF	1 TAF #	X	HQ	
II	Hqs & Hqs Sq, XIV Tac	1 TAF #	XII TAC	HQ	
III	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 63 Ptr Wg	1 TAF #	63 F	HQ	
IV	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 50 Ptr Gp	1 TAF #	50 F	GP	
V	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 42 Bomb Wg	1 TAF #	42 BT	HQ	
VI	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 320 Bom. Gp	1 TAF #	320 B	GP	
VII	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 3 Svc Gp	1 TAF #	83 SV	GP	
VIII	Hqs & Hqs Sq, 86 ADG	1 TAF #	86 AD	GP	
IX	405 Ptr Sq	1 TAF #	405	FS	
X	Hqs & Hqs Sq, Tro Rec Gp	1 TAF #	REC	GP	
XI	162 Tac Rec Sq	1 TAF #	162	TR	
XII	34 Photo Rec Sq	1 TAF #	34	TR	
XIII	415 Night Ptr Sq	1 TAF #	415	NT	
XIV	43 Bomb Sq	1 TAF #	432	FS	
XV	311 Ferrying Sq	1 TAF #	311	FES	
XVI	Wa & Hq Bt, 213 AAF Cpl TAF #	1 TAF #	213	GP	
XVII	894 AAF AT Bn (H)	1 TAF #	894	AV	
XVIII	353 AAF Searchlight Bn (SQ)	1 TAF #	353	SH	
XIX	1 Air Service Sq	1 TAF #	1	AS	
XX	24 Mobile R & R Sq.	1 TAF #	24	MR	
XXI	22 Depot Repair Sq	1 TAF #	22	REP	
XXII	98 Depot Supply Sq	1 TAF #	98	SUP	
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XXV	1476 M&M Plat.	1 T.F. *	1476-0	MM	
XXVI	1242 AM Co, Svc Co	1 T.F. *	1242-2	GP	
XXVII	2204 QM Trk Co	1 T.F. *	2204-2	TRK	
XXVIII	440 QM Plat.	1 T.F. *	440-2	PI T	
XXIX	322 Sig Co Wg	1 T.F. *	322-S	WG	
XXX	1028 Sig Co, Svc Co	1 T.F. *	1028-S	GP	
XXXI	439 Sig Const Bn (H)	1 T.F. *	439-S	TC	
XXXII	927 Sig Bn (Spec) T.C	1 T.F. *	927-S	T.C	
XXXIII	385 Sig Svc Co.	1 T.F. *	385-S	SV	
XXXIV	202 Med Dis (RS)	1 T.F. *	202-S	DIS	
XXXV	878 Sig Dep Co	1 T.F. *	878-S	DET	
XXXVI	582 Sig Bn	1 T.F. *	582-S	SI	
XXXVII	62 LPU	1 T.F. *	62	LPU	
XXXVIII	1227 M Co.	1 T.F. *	1227	ME	
XXXIX	1 Med Sup Pla	1 T.F. *	1-S	SUP	
XL	19 Vet Section	1 T.F. *	19-M	VET	
XLI	82 Wtr Cont Sq	1 T.F. *	82	W	
XLII	873 Chem Co, MO	1 T.F. *	873-C	MO	
XLIII	2 T.C Air Comm Sq	1 T.F. *	2-T.C	COM	
XLIV	12 Wtr Sq.	1 T.F. *	12	W	
XLV	40 Mobile Comm Sq	1 T.F. *	40 MOB	COM	

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PERSONNEL, MILITARY

MILITARY JUSTICE

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1. Purpose. These regulations set forth general principles and rules pertaining to the administration of military justice, and are supplementary to the Manual for Courts-Martial and pertinent directives of the War Department and Headquarters, ETOUSA. Unless restricted to the United Kingdom or to the continent, they are of general application.

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2. Reduction of Crime. Solution of this problem is a command responsibility requiring constant vigilance in the exercise of leadership of a high quality. Commanders of all echelons will insure that subordinate commanders take appropriate steps to initiate programs of instruction designed to develop in the individual a sense of his own responsibility to himself, to his organization and his country. Experience indicates that the unrestrained consumption of hard liquors and use of weapons as an aid to the commission of crime are uniformly present. Action will be taken to withhold firearms, knives and other weapons from personnel whose duties do not require their possession. When deemed necessary, access to and consumption of intoxicating liquors will be controlled or limited. Where such measures are instituted, care will be taken to insure that they are universal in application. Commanders of negro troops will be familiar with and comply with War Department Pamphlet 20-6, Subject: "Command of Negro Troops", 29 February 1944 (Letter, Hq, ETOUSA 13 December 1944, File AG 250.1 OpGA).

3. Expeditious Handling of Disciplinary Matters. In view of the fact that the personnel of this command, except when specifically released for trial by proper authority, are under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States through its system of courts-martial, although on foreign soil, it is especially important that court-martial proceedings be characterized by a high degree of efficiency. When any person subject to military law is placed in arrest or confinement, immediate steps will be taken to try such person or dismiss the charge and release him. An officer responsible for unnecessary delay is subject to disciplinary action, and, if delay is necessary, report of the reasons therefor will be made (A.W. 70).

4. Disposition of Officers Sentenced to Dismissal Without Confinement. a. Transfer. Convening authorities of general courts-martial are authorized to issue orders transferring officers who have been sentenced to dismissal by general courts-martial convened by them, upon the approval of such sentences, provided such sentences do not include confinement, to the Casual Pool, 127th Replacement Bn. (AAF), AAF Station 591.

b. Reports. In each instance in which the authority referred to in a, above, is exercised, two reports of action taken will be made, one through channels to the CG, ETOUSA, and the other direct to the Commanding Officer, 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), A.P.O. 652, U.S. Army. Each of these reports will include the following:

- (1) Name and rank of the officer concerned.
- (2) Findings and sentence as approved by the convening authority and the date of his action.
- (3) Approximate date of arrival of officer concerned at station to which transferred.
- (4) Status of officer concerned at the time of the transfer; that is, whether in confinement, arrest or otherwise restricted.

c. Availability. The CO, 70th Replacement Depot (AAF) will take necessary action to insure that such officers are not utilized as replacement personnel pending final action on their sentences and that they will be available for transfer on short notice to a port of debarkation.

d. Disposition. The General Court-Martial Orders promulgating a sentence of dismissal of an officer is published by Hq, ETOUSA. If the sentence to dismissal is confirmed, the CG, UK Base will take the necessary action to effect the immediate return of the officer to the United States for dismissal (Letter Hq, ETOUSA to CG, UK Base, 5 December 1944, File AG 250.4 MPGA).

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5. Sentences of Courts-Martial. a. General. The primary function of a court-martial is the determination of the guilt or innocence of the accused. Upon a finding of guilty the sentence given by the court should be appropriate to the offense, consideration being given to the times and to the circumstances that this command is in an actual theater of operations and on foreign soil - with the object of punishing the offender and deterring others. Where members of a court feel that justice and discipline will be served by some mitigation of an appropriate sentence, they will submit specific written recommendations to accompany the record (Par. 8 a, SOP No. 35, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 July 1944).

b. Forfeitures. (1) General. Partial forfeitures must be expressed in dollars and cents per month (Par. 1, AR 35-2460).

(2) Class "F" Deductions. Such deductions will not be disturbed or affected by court-martial forfeitures of pay or included in determining the amount of court-martial forfeitures (AR 35-5540); except that sentences to dishonorable discharge should include the forfeiture of all pay and allowances due or to become due without regard to Class "F" deductions, if any.

(3) Foreign Service Pay. A soldier is not entitled to foreign service pay for any period during which he is confined pursuant to a sentence adjudging confinement. Accordingly, in sentences including both confinement and partial forfeitures the only elements of pay subject to forfeiture are the soldier's base pay and pay for length of service. In sentences not including confinement, foreign service pay also may be considered as an element of pay subject to forfeiture (Sec. III, Cir. 484, WD, 29 December 1944).

c. Voting in Capital Cases. In all cases where the death sentence is authorized, regardless of whether such a sentence is imposed, the actual vote on the findings will be recorded in the record of trial; that is, if all members concur, the record of trial should contain a statement to that effect instead of the usual "two-thirds of the members present at the time the vote was taken concurring". Of course, in cases for which the death sentence is mandatory all members present must concur (A.W. 43).

d. Death Sentences. Persons sentenced to death by courts-martial on the continent will not be returned to the UK pending final action on such sentence by the Theater Commander and publication of the General Court-Martial Orders (Letter, Hq. ETOUSA, 12 September 1944, File AG 253 OpJA).

e. Life Imprisonment. With respect to a sentence to life imprisonment for violation of A.W. 92, it is within the province of the court to impose dishonorable discharge and total forfeitures with life imprisonment (CM ETO 709, Lakes, 15 September 1943).

f. Digest of Court-Martial Sentences. In the interest of deterrent effect, commanding officers appointing courts-martial will give to the sentences thereof such publicity within their command as is deemed appropriate. Usually this should consist of a brief semi-monthly bulletin digesting and describing in plain, non-technical language, the significant court-martial sentences published by the headquarters concerned during the period so ending. Acquittals, disproportionate sentences, and punishments imposed under A.W. 104 should not be included in the bulletin. Bulletins published by commanders exercising general court-martial jurisdiction should also include a digest of the significant sentences published in the General Court-Martial Orders of Hq, European Theater of Operations. The bulletins should be distributed to all units of the command for posting in

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such manner as to come to the attention of all enlisted men for a reasonable length of time (Sec. I, Cir. 13, Hq. ETOUSA, 7 February 1944; Par. 11 b, SOP No. 35, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 July 1944; Letter, Hq. ETOUSA, 28 December 1944, File AG 250.4. ESEA).

6. Transfer of Personnel Under Investigation of Court-Martial Charges to the 70th Replacement Depot (AAF). No officer, warrant officer or enlisted man against whom there are pending court-martial charges or who is suspected of having committed an offense likely to result in disciplinary action will be transferred to the 70th Replacement Depot (AAF) except as indicated below:

a. In cases in which such action is directed by Hq. ETOUSA. For disposition of absentees see Cir. 120, Hq. ETOUSA, 13 December 1944 or any later directive that may be issued.

b. 127th Replacement Battalion (AAF). Such personnel may be transferred to this battalion in cases in which the Command or comparable unit of which the offender is a member is without the United Kingdom and the necessary witnesses are within the United Kingdom, and in cases in which the Command or comparable unit of which the offender is a member is stationed in the United Kingdom but has been alerted for shipment outside the United Kingdom and the necessary witnesses are located within the United Kingdom.

c. 134th Replacement Battalion (AAF). Such personnel may be transferred to this battalion in cases in which the Command or comparable unit of which the offender is a member is not stationed on the continent and the necessary witnesses are on the continent, and in cases in which the Command or comparable unit of which the offender is a member is on the continent but has been alerted for shipment outside the continent and the necessary witnesses are located on the continent.

d. When expressly authorized in advance by this headquarters.

7. Security. Current directives and instructions with reference to security will be strictly complied with in the preparation of court-martial charge sheets, records, orders, and in the conduct of court-martial proceedings. Unauthorized disclosures of military information and security violations are breaches of military discipline, and will be adequately punished.

8. Garrison Prisoners. a. General. Disciplinary Training Centers will not be designated as places of confinement for garrison prisoners. In exceptional cases, and upon the recommendation of the commander concerned exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction, commanders of Air Forces are authorized to designate Communication Zone or base guard houses as the place of confinement for garrison prisoners. This authority will not be delegated (Par. 4 b (2), Cir. 73, Hq. ETOUSA, 22 June 1944). Any such recommendation regarding a garrison prisoner not a member of an Air Force will be submitted to this headquarters.

b. Confinement. Air Force Commanders and Commanders of separate units will make the necessary arrangements for the guarding and housing of garrison prisoners within their own commands and where practicable, at the home stations of the garrison prisoners. Such Commanders will also establish and maintain a program for the rehabilitation of garrison prisoners. The objective of the program will be to assist such prisoners to make the adjustment necessary for their

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return to normal duty as soldiers and to accomplish that return at the earliest practicable time (AIF Memorandum No. 46-1, 6 June 1944).

9. Witnesses not in the United States Military Service. a. Interviews with and Attendance of Witnesses in the United Kingdom. (1) General. When it is necessary, in the course of any investigation, to interview a civilian witness not a member of the Armed Forces of the United States the officer conducting the investigation will make all arrangements for interviewing the witness in question through the local United Kingdom police, and will interview such witness at the place designated by the police and in the presence of a police officer. Female witnesses will be advised that they may be accompanied by either male or female escort if they desire. Such escorts are not entitled to any fees (5th Ind. Hq. ETOUSA, 20 October 1943, File AG 201-Shafer (Enl.)). Failure to comply with witness summons, after payment or tender of the reasonable expenses (which should be advanced by the issuing officer), will render the person summoned liable to punishment by the United Kingdom courts. Interviews with and attendance of witnesses in the United States Navy and Allied Armed Forces and auxiliaries will be secured by request on the proper superior officer of the witness.

(2) Witnesses in Civil Prisons in the United Kingdom. Attendance of a witness in a civil prison will be secured through application in writing, an appreciable time in advance of the time set for the trial, to the British civil police directly concerned in the case, or, if such police are not interested, to the Civil Police Liaison Officer for the Army Air Forces in the United Kingdom, c/o Hq. Eighth Air Force, APO 634, U.S. Army. The application should contain the name of the prisoner (witness), prison in which confined, particulars of his commitment, reasons for asking that he be produced during his present confinement, the place, court, date, and time at which attendance is desired, particulars in the case in which witnesses will testify, and the name, rank and organization of the person to be tried by court-martial.

b. Interviews with and Attendance of Witnesses on the Continent. Interviews with and attendance of witnesses on the continent will be arranged through appropriate civil police authorities, through or with the assistance of the officer in charge of Civil Affairs for the locality; and interviews with and attendance of witnesses who are members of the United States Navy or Allied Forces will be obtained by request to the appropriate commanding officer. If summons upon civilian witnesses is necessary it will be served by civil police whenever practicable. Female witnesses will be advised that they may be accompanied by either a male or female escort of their choice. Such escorts, however, are not entitled to any fees (5th Ind. Hq. ETOUSA, 20 Oct. 1943, File AG 201-Shafer (Enl.)).

c. Witness Fees and Allowances. (1) In the United Kingdom. Witnesses in the United Kingdom, including professional and expert witnesses, will be paid the fees prescribed in paragraph 13 a, Sec. II, Cir. 72, Hq. ETOUSA, 9 September 1943, or any later directive that may be issued on the subject. In the event a police officer or constable claims only allowances at the rate payable to him for attendance at British courts-martial, the trial judge advocate will execute a certificate on the voucher reciting that such witness is a member of the United Kingdom Police, and, as such, is not permitted by his instructions to claim more than the amount indicated.

(2) On the Continent. On the continent, the fees and allowances of witnesses, including those for professional and expert witnesses, will be such as may be published in instructions from Headquarters, ETOUSA, pending which the fees and allowances for civilian witnesses prescribed in AR 35-4120, will govern.

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10. Attitude of Civilian Authorities. Personal and unofficial opinions of police constables and other police officials of similar rank do not necessarily represent the views of the civilian authorities or state the attitude that would be taken by the civilian enforcement officers and courts if they were handling the case. Such expressions will, therefore, not be considered or reported. In the event it is desirable to know and consider the attitude of the civilian authorities with respect to a particular case, it will be ascertained from the Chief Constable, Superintendent, Civil Police Liaison Officer or such other high officer as may have reported the case originally.

11. Reporters' Fees. a. Enlisted personnel. See AR 35-4120.

b. Civilian Reporters. (1) In the United Kingdom. See Sec. II, Cir. 101, Hq. EROUSA, 25 December 1943, or any later directive on the subject that may be issued.

(2) On the Continent. See AR 35-4120 and paragraph 14 b, SOP No. 35, Hq. EROUSA, 16 July 1944, or any later directive on the subject that may be issued.

12. Women's Army Corps. a. Court Personnel. Commissioned officers of the Women's Army Corps are eligible to serve as members of courts-martial and as personnel of the prosecution and defense to the same extent as other officers. A general or special court-martial trying a WAC will include at least one WAC officer senior to accused (Par. 22, Cir. 462, W.D., 6 December 1944). Where practicable, summary courts for trial of WAC personnel will be constituted of WAC officers.

b. Arrest or Confinement. See paragraph 7, Cir. 462, W.D., 6 December 1944.

13. Courts and Boards Officers. Each station commander will, if feasible, appoint a courts and boards officer whose duties should include the preliminary investigation of charges, the preparation of court-martial charges and other related duties.

14. Punishment Under A.W. 104. a. General. Care must be exercised not to impose punishment other than or in excess of that authorized. Forced contributions will not be authorized (Sec. 462 (4), Dig. Ops. JAG 1912-40). Punishment under A.W. 104 may be pleaded in bar of court-martial trial, except that, if improperly imposed for a serious offense it will not bar trial for such offense (Sec. 462 (2) Dig. Ops. JAG, 1912-40; Sec. 462 (2) Bull. JAG, May 1944). Also such punishment does not bar trial for another crime or offense growing out of the same act or omission (Par. 69 c, MCM).

b. Officers. In such cases appropriate entries will be made on the officer's qualification card of the punishment imposed and in cases in which the punishment includes a forfeiture, care will be exercised to insure that the forfeiture is collected (AR 35-1800). All pertinent papers relating to the imposition of punishment under A.W. 104 in officer cases will be forwarded to The Adjutant General, War Department (AAF Memorandum No. 35-6, 23 November 1943, as amended by AAF Memorandum 35-6A, 15 January 1944). In the forwarding indorsement of the officer imposing the punishment there will be included a statement to the effect that appropriate entries have been made on the officer's qualification card (WD AGO Form 66-1 or 66-2) by the commander having custody thereof, and, in cases involving forfeiture, that the forfeiture has been duly collected. In the event the punishment was imposed by a commander not exercising general court-martial jurisdiction,

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such correspondence will be forwarded through channels to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command where it will be reviewed for legality and then forwarded direct to The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D.C. If imposed by a commander exercising general court-martial jurisdiction, the correspondence will be forwarded direct to The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D.C.

15. Charge Sheet. a. General. Instructions contained in Chapter VI and Appendix 4, MCM, and those printed on the charge sheet will be complied with.

b. Other than the Specifications. (1) The geographical location of units or headquarters will be shown by station and APO numbers and not by name.

(2) In the space following the word "age" on page 1 of the charge sheet, there will be inserted the age (years and months) of accused at the time of commission of the offense.

(3) After the word "pay" on page 1 of the charge sheet, two amounts will be inserted, as follows:

(a) Total of accused's base pay plus pay for length of service, plus pay for duty outside the continental limits of the United States, and

(b) Total of accused's base pay plus pay for length of service.

(4) Above the words "Allotments to dependents" on page 1 of the charge sheet there will be inserted "Class F", followed by "None", "\$22.00" or "\$27.00", whichever is applicable to the accused with respect to deductions for either Class A or Class B dependents under the Servicemen's Dependents Allowance Act of 1942 as amended (Cir. 310, W.D., 26 November 1943; AR 35-5540).

c. Specifications. (1) Appendix 4, MCM, sets forth forms of specifications which cover almost any case likely to arise. These forms are not mandatory, but an appropriate one should be used unless cogent reasons to the contrary are present.

(2) The grade, immediate organization, and next higher organization, but not the serial number of the accused, will be stated in the specification (Page 236, MCM).

(3) When an offense is committed on an Air Force station, the place of commission of the offense should be indicated by the station number only, and not by name.

(4) When an offense is committed elsewhere than on an Air Force station, the town, county, department or commune and country where the offense was committed will be stated (Ltr., BOJAG, 18 June 1943, File: 250.452).

(5) The limitations on maximum punishment for unauthorized absences prescribed by the Table of Maximum Punishments (Par. 104 c, MCM) for violation of A.W. 61 have been suspended only as to absences without leave from command, guard, quarters, station, or camp (Executive Order 9267, November 9, 1942, Sec. 1, Bull. 57, W.D., 19 November 1942; Footnote to Table of Maximum Punishment, Page 97, MCM 1923 (corrected to 20 April 1943); Sec. 402 (1), Bull. JAG, January 1943; Sec. 419 (4), Bull. JAG, June 1943). When the facts warrant, such absences should, therefore, be pleaded so as to allege absence from command, guard,

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quarters, station or camp rather than from "duties", "post and duties", or other substituted words or phrases.

16. Action by Commanding Officer Exercising Immediate Summary Court-Martial Jurisdiction. a. General. Capital offenses and most offenses punishable by dishonorable discharge are not minor offenses and a commanding officer is without authority to dispose of them by disciplinary action under A.W. 104. Summary courts-martial are without jurisdiction to try capital offenses (A.W. 14). In the absence of prior specific authority from the commander exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction, special courts-martial are without jurisdiction to try capital offenses (Articles of War 12 and 13; Par. 14, MCM). Trials of capital offenses by summary courts-martial or by special courts-martial without prior specific authority therefor are null and void (Sec. 369 (9), Bull. JAG, July 1942).

b. Procedure. Except as indicated in c, below, all charges which include a specification alleging an offense for which the death penalty or dishonorable discharge may be adjudged will be investigated as required by paragraph 35 a, MCM and Article of War 70, and thereafter forwarded, before trial, by indorsement recommending the disposition thereof, through command channels, to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command.

c. Exceptions. While the offenses listed below are punishable by dishonorable discharge they are not capital offenses and may be disposed of by trial before inferior courts-martial without reference to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction.

(1) Absence without leave, in violation of A.W. 61.

(2) Larceny or embezzlement of property of a value of \$20.00 or less, in violation of A.W. 93 or A.W. 94.

(3) The unauthorized use of a motor vehicle in cases in which this offense only is charged and no injury to persons or damage to property resulted from such unauthorized use and accused is without any prior conviction for such an offense.

(4) Other offenses for which the maximum confinement specified in paragraph 104 c, MCM is not greater than six months.

(5) Air Force Commanders and other commanders expressly authorized by this headquarters may permit additional non-capital offenses to be so tried by inferior courts, provided such permission is not extended to the so called offense of "statutory rape".

d. Capital Offenses. At the present time the offenses denounced by the following Articles of War are capital offenses:- 58, 59, 64, 66, 67, 75, 76, 77, 78, 81, 82, 86 and 92 (Par. 14, MCM; Sec. IV, W.D. Bull., No. 6, 9 February 1942).

e. Papers to be Forwarded to Officer Exercising Immediate General Court-Martial Jurisdiction. Charges required to be forwarded to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction, and allied papers, will be submitted in triplicate, and will include the following:-

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- (1) Letter of transmittal originated by the person preferring the charges.
- (2) A synopsis of the expected testimony of each witness.
- (3) Letter orders appointing the investigating officer.
- (4) Report of the investigating officer pursuant to A.W. 70 and paragraph 35 a, MCM.
- (5) Certificate of previous convictions.
- (6) Time data sheet with appropriate entries thereon by each officer concerned in the processing of the charges (one copy).

f. Indorsements. The officer to whom the investigating officer renders his report must make a recommendation, over his personal signature, with respect to the disposition of the charges, which should be by indorsement forwarding the charges to the next higher authority in the chain of command. The indorsements of higher commanders should also contain a specific recommendation with respect to the disposition of the charges, but such indorsements may be signed by subordinates acting for their commanders.

17. Summary Courts-Martial Records of Trial. a. Preparation. When trial is had by summary court-martial, the original charge sheet will be completed as the record of trial (See Appendices 8, 9, and 10, MCM). After recording his action on the sentence, the reviewing authority will deliver the original charge sheet and two copies thereof to the organization commander who will cause the essential data to be entered on the service record, and in due course on the payrolls. There is no requirement for the issuance of a summary court-martial order and none will be issued. Any orders modifying the results of trial by summary court-martial will be published in special orders (AR 310-50).

b. Disposition. After the prescribed notation as to entry on the service record of the sentence has been made on the record of trial (charge sheet), the organization commander will dispose of the original and two copies as indicated below:-

- (1) Original. To the commanding officer who appointed the summary court-martial (Par. 87 c, MCM).
- (2) First Copy. To The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D.C. Classified material will be deleted (and indicated by blanks) to permit classification of this copy, if classified at all, as RESTRICTED. Ordinarily, this will be done by the omission of place names. This copy will bear a certificate signed by an officer that, except for the confidential matter omitted, it is a true copy of the original.
- (3) Second Copy. To the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command (Par. 87 c, MCM). This copy will be accompanied by a certificate of previous convictions, and a time data sheet with appropriate entries thereon accounting for the time which has elapsed since the accused was placed in confinement or arrest, or charges preferred.

18. Special Courts-Martial. a. Record of Trial. (1) Preparation. Only the original of a special court-martial record will be prepared. The accused is not entitled to a copy.

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(2) Disposition. Special court-martial records of trial will be forwarded at the earliest practicable date after the appointing authority has acted on the record to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command, bound as follows:-

- (a) Cover sheet.
- (b) Time data sheet.
- (c) Special court-martial check sheet.
- (d) Special court-martial orders, three copies.
- (e) Copies of any letters written to local officials and others directly concerned, informing them of the result of the trial and expressing regret for the occurrence of the offense (Par. 5 g, Sec. II, Cir. 72, Hq. ETOUSA, 9 September 1943; Par. 6 g, SOP No. 35, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 July 1944).
- (f) Report of investigating officer, if any, followed by any other papers which accompanied the charges when referred for trial, unless otherwise disposed of.
- (g) Record of trial proper, including action of appointing authority on last page thereof.
- (h) Special orders appointing the court and any amendatory orders.
- (i) Charge sheet.
- (j) Evidence of previous convictions and any other documentary evidence (or authenticated copies thereof; Par. 75 a, MCM), considered by the court.

b. Special Court-Martial Orders. (1) Form and Contents. The form and contents of Special Court-Martial Orders will be as prescribed in paragraph 87 d, and App. 11 a, MCM, 1928, and AR 310-50.

(2) Distribution. Special court-martial orders will be distributed as follows:

- (a) 3 copies attached to the record of trial.
- (b) 3 copies for each person affected to The Adjutant General, Attention: Enlisted Branch, Washington, 25 D.C. (AR 310-50; AR 615-300).
- (c) 1 copy, in desertion cases only (A.W. 58), to Fiscal Director, W.D., Washington, D.C. (AR 310-50).
- (d) 1 copy to CG, USSTAF.
- (e) 1 copy to the Commanding General of the Air Force or Air Service Command of which the individual tried is a member.

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- (f) 1 copy to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command.
- (g) 1 copy to the commanding officer of the Wing of which accused is a member.
- (h) 2 copies to the commanding officer of the squadron, detachment or other unit of which the individual tried is a member.
- (i) 1 copy to the president of the special court-martial.
- (j) 1 copy to the individual tried.
- (k) 7 copies to the commanding officer of the station at which the individual tried is in custody. Five of these copies must accompany the prisoner if he is transferred for confinement to a Communication Zone or base guard house (Par. 4 c, Cir. 73, Hq. ETOUSA, 22 June 1944).
- (l) 2 copies for file at headquarters issuing order.
- (m) 1 copy to the Finance Officer of the Command or comparable unit of which accused is a member.
- (n) 1 copy to the local Finance Officer.
- (o) Any additional distribution required by proper authority for deterrent effect, or deemed necessary to insure that the sentence will be carried into execution.

(3) Classification. Copies of orders, which are to be bound with the record and those which are to remain in the official files of the issuing headquarters, will be complete and will be classified as may be necessary in each case. All other copies will be published with sufficient classified material omitted (and indicated by blanks) to permit their classification, if classified at all, as RESTRICTED. Ordinarily this will be done by the omission of place names.

19. Distribution of General Court-Martial Orders. The distribution of general court-martial orders will include, in addition to that required by AR 310-50, AR 615-300, and other regulations and directives, the following:

a. 3 copies to Commanding General, ETOUSA (Par. 4 b, Cir. 114, Hq. ETOUSA 25 November 1944; SOP 35, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 July 1944).

b. 1 copy to Commanding General, USSTAF.

c. Any additional distribution required by proper authority to insure that the sentence is carried into execution.

20. Morning Reports. a. General. With respect to the new form of Morning Report (WD AGO Form Nos. 1 and 2, 1 July 1943), each of the three copies is an "Original record" within the meaning of paragraph 116 a, MCM, from which an authenticated extract copy may be made. The result is that the custodian of any one of the three copies (the commanding officer, or in his absence, the acting commanding officer of the reporting unit; the unit personnel officer; and The Adjutant General) is the official custodian of the Morning Report and, as such, authorized to authenticate an extract copy thereof (Sec. 395 (18), Bull. JAG, March 1944; Ltr. W.D. 12 May 1944, File: AGOM-F, 330.33, Subject: "Morning Report"). In this

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connection, an assistant personnel officer or Adjutant has no authority to authenticate an extract copy as custodian. If the latter is the unit personnel officer, he should sign the authenticating certificate in that capacity (Mil. Justice Cir. No. 9, BOTJAG, ETO, 14 December 1944).

b. Form and Contents of Extract Copy. Extract copies of Morning Reports should include any signature or initials appearing thereon, which means the name of the officer who signed the Morning Report on the date or dates referred to in the extract copy (Mil. Justice Cir. No. 9, above). See Section IV, Cir. 119, Hq. ETOUSA, 12 December 1944 for persons authorized to sign Morning Reports.

21. Specific Offenses and Suggested Specifications. a. Unlawfully Carrying Weapons (A.W. 96) (1) Concealed Weapons. See Form 130, page 254, MCM.

(2) Other Weapons.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and in violation of paragraph 3, Sec. II, Circular 35, Hq. ETOUSA, 29 March 1944 (or any later directive that may be issued), carry a weapon, viz, a knife with a blade longer than three inches (or other weapon to be described) during his off duty hours among the civilian population.

b. Security and Censorship Violations (A.W. 96). (1) Divulging Information Contrary to Security Regulations.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and unlawfully mention (disclose or discuss) in the presence of _____ (identify unauthorized person or persons), information useful to the enemy and prejudicial to the security of the Armed Forces of the United States, viz: _____.

(2) Statements and Correspondence Contrary to Censorship Regulation.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and in violation of Circular 33, Hq. ETOUSA, 21 March 1944, as amended by (cite applicable amendment) (or any later directive that may be issued), include in a letter addressed to _____, and place said letter in the mail (or cause said letter to be placed in the mail) for transmission to said addressee, information useful to the enemy (or affecting the security or or good relations with an ally of the United States), as follows: (insert portions of letter violating pertinent provisions of Par. 9, Cir. 33, Hq. ETOUSA, 21 March 1944, or any later directive that may be issued).

c. Unauthorized Sale of Articles (A.W. 96). (1) Without Payment of British Taxes.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and unlawfully sell to _____, a person not authorized to purchase without payment of duty _____ (describe articles), value _____, on which duty had not been paid as required by laws of the United Kingdom.

(2) Resale of Post Exchange Merchandise.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and in violation of paragraph 13 d (1), AR

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210-65, 1 June 1944 (or any later directive that may be issued), resell to _____ (describe merchandise) previously purchased at retail in an Army exchange.

d. Offenses Involving Motor Vehicles (A.W. 96). (1) When a person takes and uses a Government vehicle without authority and does not intend to deprive the Government permanently of the vehicle, he should be charged with an offense in violation of A.W. 96 instead of being charged with an offense in violation of A.W. 94 as would be proper if there were intent to deprive the Government permanently of the property. Unauthorized use of Government vehicles may be punished to the same extent as larceny under A.W. 93 or 94, and is considered a serious offense which must be eliminated in this Theater. An appropriate specification for the offense in violation of A.W. 96 is as follows:

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully take and use without proper authority a certain motor vehicle, to-wit: _____ (describe vehicle), property of the United States, of a value of more than \$50.00.

(2) Unauthorized transportation of civilians.

In that _____, being the driver of a motor vehicle, property of the United States intended for military use, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and in violation of Section VI, Pamphlet, Hq. ETOUSA, 24 January 1944, File AG 451/2 PubGC, Subject: "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles" (or any later directive that may be issued), transport in said vehicle _____, a civilian.

(3) Drunken Driving.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and unlawfully drive a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

(4) Negligent driving.

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and negligently operate a motor vehicle, to-wit: _____ (insert description of motor vehicle) by driving it (describe briefly the facts upon which negligence is based).

e. Self-Maiming. Personnel suspected of self-inflicted wounds will be processed in the manner prescribed by Circular 122, Hq. ETOUSA, 18 December 1944 or any later directives which may be issued on the subject. See Form No. 162, App. 4, MCM, for specification.

f. Trafficking in Currencies. Current Theater directives relative to circulating, importing or exporting currencies will be strictly enforced. (See Ltr., Hq. ETOUSA, 23 September 1944, File AG: 121 OpGA; Ltr., Hq. ETOUSA, 22 November 1944, File AG 121 OpGA; Ltr., Hq. ETOUSA, 12 September 1944, File AG 400.13, OpGA). Offenses may be punished as violations of A.W. 96.

g. Carnal Knowledge of Female Under the Age of 16 Years (A.W. 96). No maximum sentence is fixed for this offense (Par. 104 c, MCM), and the statutes of foreign countries do not have any application to U.S. Army courts-martial and do not in any way limit the punishment that may be imposed (Military Justice Cir. No. 3, BOJAG, 11 August 1943). Carnal Knowledge of a female under

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the age of 16 years - so called statutory rape - is not a minor offense, and charges alleging such offenses will be forwarded before trial to the officer exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command. It is the policy of the Theater Commander that all such charges be disposed of by trial before general courts-martial (4th Ind., Hq. ETOUSA, 7 July 1944, File AG 201-Schools, Arthur (Enl) MPA-GA). An appropriate specification is as follows:

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and unlawfully have carnal knowledge of _____, a female under the age of 16 years.

b. Indecent Assault. Careful consideration should be given to adding to each set of charges alleging an assault with the intent to commit rape in violation of A.W. 93, an additional charge alleging an indecent assault in violation of A.W. 96. Such an offense is punishable by a maximum sentence of dishonorable discharge, total forfeitures and confinement at hard labor for 5 years, not in a penitentiary (CM ETO 571, Leach). An appropriate specification is as follows:

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____, wrongfully and indecently assault _____, a female person, by _____.

i. Misuse of Buildings, Their Contents and Other Property on the Continent. Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken in all cases of looting, pillage, theft, unnecessary damage to or illegal or unauthorized use, occupation of or entry upon property (Ltr., Hq. ETOUSA, 14 November 1944, File AG 007 OpEE, and directives referred to therein). Such offenses are punishable under the 96th Article of War. Specifications appearing in App. 4, MOM, may be altered as required to fit particular facts.

j. Damage to Historical Monuments, Works of Art, Archives, etc. Unit commanders on the continent will take appropriate action to protect the United States against unwarranted charges of damage and exaggerated claims for compensation for damage to European monuments, works of art, archives, etc., and disciplinary action will be taken when necessary (Ltr., Hq. Com. Zone, ETO, 29 September 1944, File: AG 014.1 OpEE, Ltr., Hq. Com. Zone, ETO, 1 October 1944, File AG 014.1 OpGE). Such offenses are punishable under the 96th Article of War.

k. Traffic in Works of Art. The sale, transfer and export of works of art and other cultural material in Germany is prohibited. In furtherance of this purpose, military personnel in occupied German territory will not purchase or otherwise traffic in such objects (Letter, Supreme Headquarters, AEF, 21 November 1944, File AG 014.1-1 (Germany), CAP-AGM). Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

l. Mailing of Explosives, etc. The mailing of explosives, firearms capable of being concealed on the person, poison, narcotics, and intoxicating beverages, unless in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Postmaster General, is prohibited by statutes which prescribe fines and imprisonment for violations thereof (18 U.S.C. 340, 361). Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken against persons subject to military law who violate these statutes.

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m. Entering "Off Limits" Place. Entering an area, establishment or place which has been declared "Off Limits" by proper authority is an offense in violation of the 96th Article of War, the maximum punishment for which is confinement at hard labor for six months and forfeiture of two-thirds pay per month for a like period (Sec. 454 (1) Bull. JAG, November 1944). An appropriate specification is as follows:

In that _____, did, at _____, on or about _____ 19____, wrongfully enter _____ (describe or specify location) (an area) (an establishment) (a place) duly (posted) (designated by proper authority) as "Off Limits" to military personnel of his organization.

22. Trial of Civilians by Court-Martial. a. United Kingdom. Courts-Martial have jurisdiction over all civilian employees, either employed directly by the Army or by contractors engaged in the prosecution of work for or the furnishing of material or supplies to the Army but it will not be exercised with respect to civilian employees in the United Kingdom who are not citizens or nationals of the United States unless such employees entered into the employment outside the United Kingdom (Letter BOJAG, ETOUSA, 21 December 1942, Subject: "Jurisdiction of United States Army Court-Martial over Civilian Employees in the ETO").

b. On the Continent. Offenses committed by civilian employees on the continent other than violations of job rules and conditions of employment will be dealt with in the following manner:

(1) Employees subject to the Articles of War.

(a) British and US nationals and other non-indigenous employees by either courts-martial or military courts at the discretion of the Commander having jurisdiction.

(b) Indigenous employees - where military necessity requires, either by courts-martial or military courts; otherwise by local courts. The cases where military necessity shall be deemed to exist shall include all those in which the offender appears to have violated an Administrative Enactment of the Military Administration.

(2) Employees of the United States Forces not subject to the Articles of War - where military necessity requires, by military courts; otherwise by local courts. The test for military necessity shall include that set out in paragraph (1) (b), above (SOP No. 29, "Civilian Labor", Hq. ETOUSA, 26 May 1944).

c. Crews of Vessels. While in this Theater, crews of Army transports are subject to court-martial jurisdiction of the U.S. Military authorities and, under certain circumstances, members of crews of United States merchant ships may be brought to trial before military courts. However, no seaman will be brought to trial before any military court until trial in his particular case has been expressly authorized by the headquarters exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command. Decision by the headquarters exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction with respect to trial will be in conformity with letter, Hq. ETOUSA, 7 June 1944, File: AG 250.4/1 OpJA.

d. Investigation and Records of Trial. In view of the fact that the

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jurisdiction and punishment adjudged by military courts may be challenged by civilians so tried and result in claims against the Government, no charges against a civilian will be referred to a special or general court-martial until after a thorough investigation has been made, as required by A.W. 70 and Par. 35 a, MCM. All pertinent evidence to the jurisdiction of courts-martial over a civilian tried before any military court will be included in the record of trial by general and special courts-martial, and attached to the charge sheet in summary court-martial trials (Sec. 402 (10a), Bull. JAG, Dec. 1942).

e. Sentences. (1) Fines and Forfeitures. Civilians tried by court-martial pursuant to A.W. 2, subparagraph (d), may not, upon being found guilty, be sentenced to forfeit any part of their pay other than pay due or to become due the accused from the United States Government. When it is the desire of a court-martial to impose monetary punishment on a civilian, the sentence will impose a fine and not a forfeiture, with the exception that forfeiture may be imposed as to pay due or to become due the accused from the United States Government. Inferior as well as general courts-martial have authority upon conviction of civilians to impose a fine instead of a forfeiture as punishment. Furthermore, a sentence imposing a fine may, at the same time impose confinement in the alternative upon failure to pay the fine, at the rate of one day for so many dollars of the fine remaining unpaid (Sec. IV, Cir. 175, W.D., 30 July 1943).

(2) Forms of Sentence. In order to avoid unnecessary confinement of civilians as a means of enforcing the payment of fines imposed upon them by courts-martial, sentences should be in such form as to permit the payment of fines at a future date or in instalments. Appropriate sentences are given below.

(a) Summary Court Sentences.

To pay to the United States a fine of \$_____ on 194____, and if such fine is not so paid on said date, to be confined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct until such fine is so paid, but not more than 30 days.

(b) Special Court Sentence (When Larger Fine is Imposed and it is Desired that the Fine be Paid in Instalments).

To pay to the United States a fine of \$_____, payable in instalments as follows: \$_____ on 194____, etc., and in the event any such instalment is not so paid on said date, to be confined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct, until such instalment is so paid, but not more than _____ days (or months), for the failure to pay any one such instalment, and in all not more than six months.

(c) General Court-Martial Sentence. Sentences imposed by a general court-martial should conform in principle to the above forms.

(3) Limitations of Punishment. The limitations on punishment prescribed by paragraph 104, Manual for Courts-Martial, U.S. Army, 1928, and those upon the powers of inferior courts found in Articles of War 13 and 14, though not binding as a strict matter of law upon courts sentencing civilians, should be observed in such cases as general rules subject to such exceptions as the courts may deem warranted in special circumstances (Sec. IV, Cir. 175, W.D., 30 July 1943).

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23. Storage of Records of Trial. a. Where sentences have been entirely executed or remitted, original special courts-martial records and copies of summary courts-martial records which are not immediately required may be shipped from the office of the Staff Judge Advocate of the commander exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction to the AG, Inactive Records Branch, U.S. Army c/o RTO, Banbury, Oxon, England in accordance with Sec. I, Cir. 121, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 December 1944.

b. Where sentences have been entirely executed or remitted, original summary court-martial records which are not immediately required, may be transferred from the summary court-martial record of the appointing commander and shipped to the AG, Inactive Records Branch, U.S. Army, c/o RTO, Banbury, Oxon, England in accordance with Sec. I, Cir. 121, Hq. ETOUSA, 16 December 1944.

24. Court-Martial Forms. Requisitions for court-martial forms should be submitted to the Publications Branch, AGO, at the headquarters exercising immediate general court-martial jurisdiction over the command.

25. Legal Advice and Assistance for Military Personnel. The officers of the Judge Advocate General's Department on duty at this headquarters and at subordinate headquarters of this command, are available to render legal advice and assistance to all personnel of this command, as contemplated by W.D. Circular 74, 16 March 1943, as amended by W.D. Circular 73, 17 February 1944. Such legal advice and assistance will not extend to appearance in courts of the United Kingdom or on the continent or to the preparation of any pleadings or papers in connection with such court proceedings. The authority of Army officers to administer oaths, take acknowledgments, etc., and the forms for use in each of the several states are prescribed in War Department publications (Sec. 472 (2), Bull. JAG, January 1943; Cir. 419, WD, 26 October 1944).

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

M-S-3

22 January 1945

SUBJECT: Excerpts from WD Cir 458 reference line of Duty Entries.

TO: CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
U.S. Army.

1. Transmitted herewith for your information and file are pertinent excerpts from Cir 458, War Department, dated 2 December 1944, reference line of Duty entries in general and Venereal Disease cases in particular.

2. General distribution has not as yet been made in this Theater, and it was deemed advisable to disseminate this particular information preliminarily.

3. Compliance with attached circular is directed.

By command of Major General R VCB:

T. J. Progan
T. J. PROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

1 Incl: Extract WD Cir 458, 2 December 1944.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, 25, D.C., 2 Dec 1944

No. 458)

EXTRACT

Effective until 2 June 1946 unless sooner rescinded or superseded

DETERMINATION OF LINE OF DUTY.-- Pending revision of AR 40-1025 and AR 345-41, the instructions contained in this circular will be followed in determining line of duty.

1. Line of duty for disease or injury.

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b. Basic provision for determining line of duty.--A disease or injury that a militarized person contracts or sustains while in the active military service of the United States will be presumed to have been incurred in line of duty unless there is substantial evidence to show that such disease or injury--

- (1) Occurred under circumstances indicating the presence of the individual's misconduct or willful neglect and unless it is established by a fair preponderance of evidence that such misconduct or willful neglect was the proximate cause of the disease or injury (d below).
- (2) Occurred while the individual was absent from duty without official permission (e below).
- (3) Occurred as the result of the individual's outside activities, not of a class authorized or encouraged by the War Department (f below).
- (4) Existed prior to the individual's current active service, and was not aggravated by the service (g below).

d. Misconduct or willful neglect.

- (1) General.--The following diseases and injuries, and the effects directly attributable to such diseases and injuries, will be held to have resulted from misconduct: effects of a disease or injury resulting directly from intemperate use of alcoholic liquor or habit-forming drugs; venereal diseases, if the individuals involved failed to comply with the Army Regulations requiring them to report and receive treatment for such disease; other diseases and injuries when directly caused by an act of commission or omission wrong in itself, or by an act contrary to the principles of good morale, or when resulting from gross negligence, gross carelessness, or deliberate self-infliction of wounds. The mere presence of misconduct, however, does not fix misconduct as the producing cause.

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A finding that the disease, injury, or death is the result of misconduct is proper and sustainable only when it has been established by a fair preponderance of evidence that misconduct was the proximate cause of such condition. (By "proximate" cause is meant the moving or direct cause.) When misconduct is only the contributing cause, the disease, injury, or death cannot be held to be the result of misconduct. See "Line of Duty," Dig. Op. JAG. 1912--40, Sec. 220.46.

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(3) Venereal diseases.

- (a) General.--Syphilis, gonorrhea, chancroid, lymphogranuloma venereum, and granuloma inguinale, classified as venereal diseases (AR 40-210), will not be considered to have been incurred through misconduct, unless the individual involved has failed to comply with the existing Army Regulations requiring him to report and receive treatment for such disease. Absence from regular military duty for more than 1 day because of such disease, when determined to have been incurred through misconduct will be considered within the purview of AR 107 which provides for "making good" time lost. The line of duty will be recorded in such instances as "LD: No. AR 107". (AR 107 is applicable to enlisted personnel only; for officers the statement will be "LD: no". See (2) (b) above.) (paragraph (2) (b) not available at this time.) The provision of "making good" time lost will extend only for the period for which the patient was treated on an "excused from duty" status (whether in hospital or quarters) because of the venereal disease, provided the venereal disease was the primary cause of admission. (This applies though the patient might have been, at the same time, treated on an "excused from duty" status for some concurrent disease or injury.) If the venereal disease was not the primary cause of admission, the provision of "making good" time lost applies only to the extra period of treatment (whether in hospital or in quarters) on an "excused from duty" status due to the venereal disease, after the primary or any other concurrent disease or injury, for which the patient has been admitted has terminated. If the individual involved complies with the existing Army Regulations, requiring him to report and receive treatment for such disease, the line of duty will be determined as for any other disease, except that the factor specified in paragraph 1 b (3) will not apply; that is, if the individual contracted the disease while in the service, line of duty will be recorded "LD: Yes," provided none of the varying factors, specified in paragraph 1b, other than the factor set forth in (3) thereof, is involved. If the hospitalized individual contracted the venereal disease prior to his entrance into the service, the line of duty will be recorded "LD: No, BUT," provided the disease was not aggravated by the service. The line of

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duty for cases of paresis, tabes dorsalis, and other conditions that are unmistakably the result of venereal infections will be the same as that of their primary venereal infections.

- (4) Cases treated on duty status.--The line of duty for a disease or injury resulting from misconduct, when treated on a duty status will be recorded "ID: No, Misconduct." Neither forfeiture of pay nor "making good" time lost is involved in such cases.

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3. Recording of line of duty.

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d. Manner of reporting line of duty.

Conditions responsible for line of duty: No.

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| (1) Misconduct ----- | No, AR 35-1440 |
| Diseases, as distinguished from injuries, directly attributable to intemperate use of alcoholic liquor or habit-forming drugs. | |
| (2) Misconduct ----- | No AR 107 |
| (A) Injuries due to intemperate use of alcoholic liquor or habit-forming drugs. | |
| (b) Venereal diseases, if the person in service does not comply with the Army Regulations requiring him to report and receive treatment for such disease | |
| (c) All other misconduct, except that specified above. | |
| (3) Misconduct ----- | No, Misconduct |
| Diseases or injuries resulting from misconduct when treated on a duty status. | |
| (4) Occurred during absence from duty without official permission, provided no misconduct was involved. | No. |
| (5) Occurred as the result of the individual's outside activities, not of a class authorized or encouraged by the War Department. | No. |
| (6) Existed prior to active service and were not aggravated by the service (EPTS). | No. EPTS. |

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For officers, the line of duty will be reported "LD, No."

By order of the Secretary of War:

G.C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

EDWARD F. MITCHELL
Brigadier General
Acting The Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

24 January 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NO.....8)

SECTION

AWARDS OF THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL***** I

AWARD OF THE PURPLE HEART***** II

ATTACHMENTS OF GENERAL ORDERS*****III

I. Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, 22 September 1943, and Circular #32, Hq European T of Opns, US Army, 20 March 1944, the BRONZE STAR MEDAL is awarded to the following named Officers and Enlisted Personnel:

CHARLES L. CULP, O-349130, Lieutenant Colonel, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 10 March 1944 to 23 June 1944.

PORTER T. FRIZZELL, O-563051, Captain, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 13 November 1942 to 1 December 1944.

MILDEN A. ALBAN, O-573971, First Lieutenant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 5 February 1944 to 20 November 1944.

ANNE W. TINGES, L-302132, First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 27 August 1944 to 24 September 1944.

JOSIELEE VEST, H-759764, Second Lieutenant, Army Nurse Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from April 1944 to October 1944.

JAK D. ARMSTRONG, 14058354, Technical Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from January 1944 to December 1944.

JOHN VOLMARST, 12017995, Technical Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 November 1942 to 1 July 1944.

GEORGE V. MARTIN, 37278388, Staff Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from November 1943 to December 1944.

LANDIS W. SMITH, 12051716, Staff Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 1 March 1944 to 1 December 1944.

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GENERAL ORDERS #6, 24 January 1945 cont'd

THEODORE L. DORFMAN, 12053103, Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from January 1944 to December 1944.

ALBERT R. SCHWARZ, 16078461, Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from March 1944 to December 1944.

JOHN H. SULLIVAN, 32064717, Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from August 1944 to December 1944.

WILLIAM J. LYNCH, 12026148, Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from January 1944 to December 1944.

SAMUEL W. TAYLOR, 39129063, Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from 29 March 1944 to 9 December 1944.

FRANCES E. JOHNSON, A-903191, Sergeant, Women's Army Corps, United States Army. For meritorious service in connection with military operations from September 1943 to December 1944.

II. Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, 22 September 1943, and Circular #32, Hq European T of Opns, US Army, 20 March 1944, the PURPLE HEART is awarded to the following named Officer:

GEORGE BIJUR, O-905489, Major, Army Air Forces, United States Army. For wounds received as a result of enemy action 4 October 1944.

III. So much of General Orders No. 78, this headquarters, dated 14 October 1944, as awards the PURPLE HEART to IRVEN J. CHAMBERS, 37140015, Staff Sergeant, Army Air Forces, United States Army, for wounds received as a result of enemy action 21 September 1944, is revoked.

So much of General Orders No. 97, this headquarters, dated 11 December 1944, as awards the SILVER STAR to JOHN B. MEAD, O-733073, Captain, Army Air Forces, United States Army, for gallantry in action against the enemy on 5 May 1944, is amended to read: "an OAK LEAF CLUSTER is awarded for wear with the SILVER STAR previously awarded."

So much of General Orders No. 99, this headquarters, dated 13 December 1944, as reads "CARL KEYSEN, O-2044565, First Lieutenant", is amended to read "CARL KAYSEN, O-2044565, First Lieutenant."

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

OFFICIAL: *Harris F. Scherer*
HARRIS F. SCHERER,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

C-C-2

24 January 1945

In reply
refer to:
210.711

SUBJECT: Short Leaves on the Continent.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing
Commanding Officer, 86th Air Depot Group
Commanding Officer, 83rd Service Group
Commanding Officer, 312th Service Group
Commanding Officer, 312th Service Group
Commanding Officers, All Separate Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Letter, this headquarters, file and subject same as above, dated 8 January 1945, is rescinded.

2. Pursuant to authority contained in Message HF 09561, U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe (Main), dated 4 December 1944, and Message HF 03836, U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, dated 18 January 1945, this headquarters will be allotted bed space in the Paris area for leave personnel from time to time. This bed space will be suballotted to addressees, as received, under separate authorization. No personnel will be granted leave under the provisions of this letter by addressees until notified of quotas by this headquarters.

3. Leaves in the Paris area will be of no greater than forty-eight (48) hours duration plus travel time for personnel requiring less than ten (10) hours travel time to the Paris area and of no greater than sixty (60) hours plus travel time for personnel requiring more than ten (10) hours travel time.

4. The accommodations when allotted to the addressees may be used for combat crew personnel or non-combat personnel. However, priority should be given to combat personnel. No non-combat personnel presently stationed near enough to the Paris area who can be given privileges of day time passes from 0600 hours to 2400 hours will be given forty-eight (48) or sixty (60) hour passes in the Paris area.

5. In arranging for the dispatch of personnel for leave, you are authorized to deal directly with the Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer at the Seine Base section who is Major Rutherford P. Todd, located at the Central Registration Bureau, at the American Express Building, at the corner of Auber and Scribe, West Side of Place L'Opera, Paris, France, and who may be reached by telephone at Opera 9309 through Paris Military Exchange.

6. Personnel on pass will report to Major Todd immediately upon arrival in the Paris area which arrival will be after 1000 hours and before 1800 hours.

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Tr, this Hq, subj: Short Leaves on the Continent, file 210.711, 24 January 1945, cont'd.

7. Strict compliance with the existing directives of the theater commander, pertaining to the activities of military personnel in the Paris area, is directed.

8. In the implementation of this program, you will be held responsible for furnishing the necessary transportation and insuring removal from the Paris area of all personnel at the expiration of their leave time. The greatest possible economy of transportation will be exercised.

9. Attached is suggested form to be used in writing orders and suggested form of pass to be used.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Neil H. Matzger
NEIL H. MATZGER
Lt Col, AGD,
Asst Adj General

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- Incl 1 - Form for Orders.
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FORM FOR WRITING ORDERS

HEADQUARTERS
409TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

220,711

APO 140, U. S. Army,
1 November 1944

SUBJECT: Leave in Paris.

TO : Major RUTHERFORD P. TODD, Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer, Central
Registration Bureau, American Express Bldg, West Side Place L'Opera,
Auber & Scribe, Paris, France.

1. Captain RICHARD K. BILLS, 0798034, 642nd Bombardment Squadron, is
appointed Commanding Officer of the following named officers and enlisted men
for the trip to Paris, during the stay in Paris, and return to this station.
He will keep all passes in his possession until approved by Ninth Air Force
Liaison Officer. He will inform all personnel that PX rations may be secured in
the Paris area only on presentation of a PX ration card. All personnel are held
strictly accountable to him for their conduct while on this leave.

2nd Lieut	THOMAS B. SMITH	0759517	640th Bomb Sq
2nd Lieut	ERLEST O. LAUCE	0750411	640th Bomb Sq
S/Sgt	Ray Brewer	36449559	640th Bomb Sq
Sgt	Emory A. Smith	14130367	640th Bomb Sq

2. On arriving in Paris the officer in charge will report to Central
Registration Bureau, American Express Bldg, West Side Place L'Opera, corner
of Auber and Scribe. The rest of the party will remain in the trucks. Officer
in charge will SIGN IN immediately upon arrival and present three (3) copies of
this letter.

3. At 1400 hours, 3 November 1944, Captain BILLS will assemble all
personnel listed above, call roll and sign out at 1430 hours. The trucks to
return his party to home station will be parked across the street from the
American Express Building at 1500 hours.

4. Captain BILLS will report to Group Headquarters upon return from Paris
and turn in ALL PASSES, his copy of this letter, and report any violations of
discipline, or any other irregularity that may have occurred.

By order of Colonel FORD:

/s/ John H. Mulliner,
/t/ JOHN H. MULLINER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant

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FORM OF PASS TO BE USED

(UNIT)

(First) (Middle) (Name) (AOI) (Rank/Grade)

a member of this unit is authorized a ____ hour Leave/Pass

effective _____ hours _____ in Paris, France.

He will report to the Central Registration Bureau, American Express Building,
West Side Place L'Opera, corner Auber & Scribe, on or before the date noted above.

____ hours _____ date. _____ hours _____ date.
(Arrived Central Registration Bureau) (Departed Central Registration Bureau)

Commanding

(Ninth Air Force Liaison Officer)

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

27 January 1945

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SUBJECT: Diarrheal Disease Outbreaks

TO : See Distribution.

1. Attention is directed to letter, this headquarters, file 430, subject "Contaminated Food", dated 12 June 1944.
2. Unit commanders will take immediate steps to determine the cause of each outbreak of diarrheal disease. In outbreaks in which food is thought to have been a causative agent, the Attending Veterinarian will be notified to assist the Station Surgeon in the investigation.

By command of Lieutenant General SPANZ:

[Signature]
HARRIS F. SCHMER,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, U.S. Army. 3 February 1945.

TO: CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army.

1. For compliance.
2. Outbreaks of diarrheal disease in which food is thought to have been the causative agent will be immediately reported to the Surgeon, this Headquarters, by the most expeditious method.

By command of Brigadier General SAVINIE:

[Signature]
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AGO 887
27 January 1945

AG 311.22 Q-POS

SUBJECT: EFM and SCM Cable and Radio Service on the Continent.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. Personal cable and/or radio service is provided on the continent for US Army personnel and civilians attached to the US Army as outlined in this letter. The SCM service will be effective from 1 February 1945.

2. Incoming EFMs and SCMs received in Paris are forwarded to addressees through APO channels. Expeditionary delivery can be effected only if the APO to which the message is addressed carries the name of the addressee and his or her unit in the APO directory.

3. Outgoing EFMs (fixed text messages) to points in the United States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico may be filed with unit mail clerks, or at any APO, by prepayment of 25 francs (or its equivalent). Messages addressed to US possessions (other than Hawaii and Puerto Rico), Army or Naval addresses (mentioning a unit, APO or FPO) or foreign countries (including the United Kingdom) cannot be transmitted. Each EFM will be printed or typed in block capital letters to include:

- a. APO code address of sender
- b. Addressee's full name and address
- c. Selected text numbers, not to exceed three
- d. Complete signature of sender (nick names not permitted)
- e. Sender's identification (not to be transmitted) to include name, rank, ASN and APO number.

4. Outgoing SCMs (sender's composition messages) to the United States, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Canada and the United Kingdom may be filed at any French PTT Office (except those located in suburbs and small villages) including commercial transmitting agencies, prepaid at the international fixed rate schedule. Conditions of acceptance for the filing of messages are:

- a. The complete message, address, text and signature must be printed or typed in block capital letters.
- b. The sender's APO code address and service indication (i.e., LC, NLT or ELT) must appear in the preamble of the message.
- c. Addressee's name and address must be given in full, under these conditions:

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- (1) Messages may be addressed only to individuals.
- (2) Abbreviations in addresses are not permitted, and the state or province must follow the city of address in messages to the US and Canada. Apart from London, messages to the United Kingdom require the office of destination to be followed by the initials "UK".

d. The text will be written in plain language, free composition in either English or French.

e. Complete signature of sender (nick names not permitted)

f. Messages must be from US Army personnel or civilians attached to the US Army, and identity card or tags may be required to prove military status. If the sender cannot deposit the message in person, it may be given to another member of the US Army, whose identification may be required.

5. The provisions stated herein are supplemental to and will in no way affect existing arrangements in operation within the 6th Army Group.

6. Censorship of all messages will be effected at each cable and radio terminus prior to overseas transmission.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. LOVETT
t/ R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US ARMY, 31 January 1945

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and guidance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

J. B. Gordon
J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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27 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Battle Participation Credit.

TO : CG's & CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Reference is made to letter Headquarters, European Theater of Operations United States Army, subject: "Announced Battles and Campaigns Within the European Theater of Operations", file AG 37C OpGA, dated 7 October 1944.

2. In compliance with instructions received from Headquarters, European Theater of Operations United States Army, requests for Battle Participation Credit submitted pursuant to letter indorsement this headquarters, dated 5 January 1945 to above mentioned correspondence which do not include the required information and data as outlined below will be returned for substantiating data.

3. It is desired that the Commanding Officer of each eligible unit submit a letter of request for each campaign for battle participation credit for that unit or detachments thereof. Include specific inclusive dates and the exact physical position of the unit, by geographical location or map coordinates, in the battle zone.

4. In the case of wings and higher organizations, in addition to the information required by paragraph 3, data will be included indicating the exact number or percentage of personnel that actually took part in the operations.

5. It is not desired that credit be sought for an entire unit upon the basis of the participation of a limited number of members thereof, unless the unit as a whole may be considered to be eligible under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 260-10, C 13, 1943.

6. In those cases where eligibility for battle participation credit cannot be established either for an entire unit or for detachments thereof, but where individual members thereof are eligible under the provisions of paragraph 7b (2), Section I, WD Circular No. 195, 1944, unit commanders are authorized to make the necessary entries authorizing battle participation credit in the personnel records of the individuals concerned.

7. Attention is invited to letter, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, subject: "Individuals Entitled to Battle Participation Credit," file AG 20016 OpGA, dated 30 December 1944; and letter, Headquarters, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, subject: "Battle Participation Credit, file 200.6, dated 16 November 1944, for guidance in the proper method of entering Battle Participation Credit in the personnel records of eligible individuals.

8. Requests for battle participation credit will be submitted so as to reach this headquarters not later than 15 February 1945.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Neil M. Matzger
NEIL M. MATZGER
Lt. Col., AGD
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

29 January 1945

SUBJECT: Punishment of Deserter.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Private x x x x, Co, x x, x x x Infantry, was tried by general court-martial for desertion in order to avoid hazardous duty and found guilty.
2. He was sentenced to be shot to death by musketry. The sentence was approved and will be executed this week.
3. This is published for the information of the personnel of this command.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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29 January 1945

In reply refer
to 421

SUBJECT: Retention of B-4 Bags by Ground Officers.

TO : Commanding Generals, and Commanding Officers, All Units First
Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO, 374, U.S. Army.

1. Reference is made to letter, Headquarters, United States Strategic
Air Forces in Europe, dated 20 December 1944, Subject: "Class 13 Flying
Clothing and Equipment," file number 421.

2. The instructions contained in reference letter are amended, per
authority contained in teletype message, Headquarters United States Strategic
Air Forces in Europe, reference number MF-04116, dated 23 January 1945, with
respect to withdrawal of Bag Assembly, Flyers, type B-4. Ground Officers are
permitted to retain B-4 Bags in their possession until suitable substitute
becomes available at Quartermaster Sales Stores.

3. It will be satisfactory for each station to retain fifty (50) B-4
Bags in unit supply for the purpose of temporary loan to enlisted men while
on furlough.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. Kramberg
THOMAS G. KRAMBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Efficiency Reports.

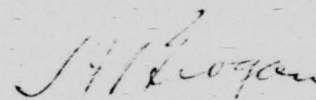
TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units this Air Force.

1. Transmitted herewith in sufficient numbers for accomplishment on all officers in your organization, are work-sheet copies of the revised W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 67, "Efficiency Report." These forms are to be used only as work-sheets and will not be completed and forwarded as the finished copy.

2. The present forms are distributed so that the final efficiency reports may be prepared rapidly and correctly. Their judicious use will obviate any necessity for the rendition of hasty, invalid or unjust reports. Each item of W.D., A.G.O. Form #67, must be considered carefully and the officer reported on should be considered as an individual rather than as a member of a homogeneous group. Advance preparation on the work-sheets will permit rapid transcription onto the final forms when received by you.

3. Efficiency Reports prepared on the inclosed work-sheets and transmitted to this headquarters for indorsement will be returned to the originating unit. Only in instances in which the reassignment of the reporting officer will negate the possibility of accomplishing the efficiency report on the corrected forms, may the report be submitted on the accompanying work-sheets in accordance with the instructions given in AR 600-185.

By command of Brig. Gen. SAVILLE:



T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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31 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

The following extract from Changes No. 32, dated 15 November 1944, to Pamphlet, Hq, European T of Opns, US Army, subject, same as above, 24 January 1944, is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

2. Sec XLIV is amended to read:

- "1. US Army vehicles may be left unattended only under one or more of these conditions:
 - "a. Sedans, when the doors are locked.
 - "b. When under the immediate surveillance of guards, or military or civilian police.
 - "c. During the time actually required by the driver to report arrival.
 - "d. When immobilized by locking of the steering wheel (by means of padlock and chain) or the transmission shift lever.

"Supersedes Par 1b, Changes No 7, 17 Apr 1944.

"2. Military parking facilities will be utilized wherever possible. When a military installation is not available, officers on official business may utilize parking facilities at hotels, local police stations or police garages.

"3. US Army vehicles will not be immobilized through the removal of rotors or other parts by military or civilian personnel.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

T. J. Brogan
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Colonel, AGD
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

AG 704

31 January 1945

SUBJECT: Non Battle Casualty Reports.

TO : All Commands, all units, this Air Force.

1. The following letter HQ, European T of Opns, USA, file and subject as above, 25 January 1945, is quoted for your information and compliance:

a. It has been noted in many instances that Non Battle Casualty Report, FIRST TACAF Form # 2, is received at this Headquarters with certain items left blank.

b. Such reports require verification: consequently additional correspondence is necessary.

c. In view of this it is requested that all paragraphs of subject form be completed.

d. In the event a negative answer is appropriate, the word "none" will be written therein. Particular attention is invited to paragraph 10, (d) and (e) of subject form in this respect.

e. In the event any of the required data is unknown at the time of submission of the report, such remark will be made in the appropriate paragraph, and a supplemental report submitted at earliest possible date.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON,
Capt. AG,
Actg Asst AG

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30 January 1945

SUBJECT: Efficiency Reports.

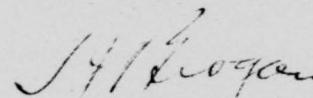
TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units this Air Force.

1. Transmitted herewith in sufficient numbers for accomplishment on all officers in your organization, are work-sheet copies of the revised W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 67, "Efficiency Report." These forms are to be used only as work-sheets and will not be completed and forwarded as the finished copy.

2. The present forms are distributed so that the final efficiency reports may be prepared rapidly and correctly. Their judicious use will obviate any necessity for the rendition of hasty, invalid or unjust reports. Each item of W.D., A.G.O. Form #67, must be considered carefully and the officer reported on should be considered as an individual rather than as a member of a homogeneous group. Advance preparation on the work-sheets will permit rapid transcription onto the final forms when received by you.

3. Efficiency Reports prepared on the inclosed work-sheets and transmitted to this headquarters for indorsement will be returned to the originating unit. Only in instances in which the reassignment of the reporting officer will negate the possibility of accomplishing the efficiency report on the corrected forms, may the report be submitted on the accompanying work-sheets in accordance with the instructions given in AR 600-185.

By command of Brig. Gen. SAVILLE:



T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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2 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Graves Registration.

TO : CG's and CO's, All units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Each organization will submit to this headquarters a complete list of all deceased personnel with the following information:

NAME RANK SERIAL NO. PLACE OF BURIAL PLOT ROW GRAVE

This information may be extracted from copies of QMC Form No. 1 -GRS, Report of Burial.

2. This data is necessary to bring the records of the Graves Registration Officer of this headquarters up to date and it is important that all units insure the reports are accurate in all details

3. Future Reports of Burial on deceased personnel of this command will be forwarded to the unit of the deceased through this headquarters. This same procedure will govern for the copy of Inventory of Effects Form of effects found upon the body by Graves Registration personnel.

4. In such cases when the Graves Registration Company forwards the QMC Form 1 - GRS, Report of Burial, directly to the unit, the unit shall immediately forward information as noted in Par. 1 to this headquarters - marked "Attention - Graves Registration Officer".

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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In reply
refer to:
210.3

2 February 1945

SUBJECT: Report on Warrant Officers.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. The following report on Warrant Officers will be submitted so as to
reach this headquarters not later than 15 February 1945:

- a. Total number of Warrant Officers authorized.
- b. Number of Warrant Officers, Junior Grade, assigned, by MOS (using
only the MOS's shown in paragraph 6c(2), Army Regulations 610-15, dated 15
September 1944).
- c. Number of Chief Warrant Officers assigned, by MOS (using only the
MOS's shown in paragraph 6c(2), Army Regulations 610-15, dated 15 September 1944).
- d. Number of Warrant Officers assigned who are presently occupying a
T/O vacancy of a commissioned officer.
- e. All Warrant Officers in excess of authorized strength will be re-
ported by name, grade, ASN, race, MOS (using only the MOS's shown in paragraph
6c(2), Army Regulations 610-15, dated 15 September 1944) and principal duty
assignment.
- f. T/O or Manning Table, and date under which unit is organized.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

NEIL H. MATZGER
Lt Col, AGD
Asst Adj General

1 Incl:

Incl 1 - MOS's shown under
par 6c(2), AR 610-15,
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15 September 1944

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WARRANT OFFICER CLASSIFICATION		MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY	
No.	Title	SSN	Title
1	Administrative-clerical, general.	2600	Administrative assistant.
2	(Not used.)		
3	Administrative-clerical, auditing and accounting.	6110	Auditing officer.
4	(Not used.)		
5	Administrative-clerical, Judge Advocate General's Department	2601	Administrative assistant, legal.
6	Administrative-fiscal	(6102)	Exchange accounting officer.
7	Administrative-supply, general	(6201)	Finance officer, disbursing.
8	Administrative-supply, Air Corps	4000	Supply officer, general.
9	Administrative-supply, Signal Corps	4902	Technical supply officer, air.
10	Administrative-Supply, Medical Corps	4400	Signal Supply Officer.
11	Administrative-supply and clerical, Ordnance Department.	4490	Medical Supply Officer.
12	Technician specialist-aviation, weather	4411	Supply officer, administrative.
13	Technician specialist-aviation, photography.	8219	Weather officer.
14	(Not used.)	8502	Aerial photographic officer.
15	Technician specialist-aviation, engineering.	4823	Aircraft engineering officer.
16	Technician specialist-aviation, armament.	4822	Armament and chemical officer.
17	Technician specialist-aviation, bombsight.	4825	Bombsight maintenance officer.
18	(Not used.)		
19	(Not used.)		
20	Technician specialist-motor transport.	0600	Motor transport officer.
21	Technician specialist-motors, Ordnance Department.	4805	Automotive maintenance and repair officer.
22	Technician specialist-topographic, Corps of Engineers	7915	Topographic engineer.
23	Technician specialist-munitions, Ordnance Department, armament machinist.	4813	Ordnance maintenance service officer.
24	(Not used.)		
25	Technician specialist-munitions, Ordnance Department, ammunition.	4514	Ammunition supply officer.
26	Technician specialist-munitions, Chemical Warfare Service.	4500	Chemical supply officer.
27	Technician specialist-signal communication, general.	0200	Communications officer.
28	Technician specialist-signal communication, Air Corps.	0200	Communications officer.

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HOS's shown under par 6c(2), AR 610-15,
dd 15 Sep 44, Cont'd.

WARRANT OFFICER CLASSIFICATION		MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY	
No.	Title	SSN	Title
29	Technician specialist-signal communication, Field Artillery	0200	Communications officer.
30	Technician specialist-tank	0606	Track vehicle maintenance officer.
31	Technician specialist-signal communication, cryptographic, Signal Corps.	0224	Message center officer, cryptographic.
32	Technician specialist-reconnaissance, Coast Artillery Corps.	1183	Reconnaissance and survey officer.
33	Technician specialist-animal transport.	0632	Pack officer.
34	Technician specialist-parachute maintenance.	4820	Parachute maintenance officer.
35	Technician specialist-maritime.	0820	Master or mate.
36	Technician specialist-maritime engineer.	0823	Marine engineer.
37	Technician specialist-signal communication, electronics.	0145	Radar maintenance and repair officer.
38	Administrative-cost accountant.	6131	Price analyst.

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471.
SUBJECT: Restricted Ammunition.

3 February 1945

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding Officer, 83rd Service Group, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding Officer, 310th Service Group, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding Officer, 312th Service Group, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding Officer, 1926th Ordnance Ammunition Company, APO 374, US Army.

1. The following list gives the latest available information on the restriction or regrading of Ordnance Ammunition in use in this theater. Disposition on these lots of ammunition should be made as indicated.

ITEM	LOT NUMBERS	DISPOSITION
<u>1. BOMBS</u>		
<u>a. 500# G.P.</u>		
(1) AN-M64, 500# Comp B loaded	IOP-10-1 IOP-10-2 NOP-30-5	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use.
(2) AN-M64A1, 500# Comp B loaded	NOP-32-1 NOP-45-1 NOP-45-2 IOP-9-1 IOP-9-2 IOP-9-3 IOP-9-4 IOP-9-5 IOP-9-6	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use.
(3) AN-M64, 500# Comp B2 loaded	NOP-30-2 31-7 31-8	Segregate and mark <u>For High Altitude Bombing Only.</u>
<u>b. 1000# G.P.</u>		
(1) AN-M65, 1000# Comp B2 loaded	NOP 26-1, 26-2 27-6	Segregate and mark <u>For High Altitude Bombing Only.</u>
(2) AN-M65, 1000# Comp B loaded.	NOP-27-8	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) AN-M65A1, 1000# Comp B loaded.	NOP-49-1	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use.

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ITEM	RESTRICTED LOT NUMBER	RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION
c. 2000# G.P.		
(1) AN-M66, 2000# Corp B loaded	NOP-34-3 NOP-35-8	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use.
2. CLUSTER FRAG BOMB.		
a. M4, 100#		
(1) M4, 100#	BOP-1-30A	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use
(2) M4, 100# w/fuze. 10h.	BOP-1-32	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
b. T4E3, 500#	LS-25-35, LS-25-34 LS-25-53	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use.
c. T4E4, 500#	LS-30-3, -30-31, LS-30-86	Suspension lifted-return to issue and use
d. AN-M41, (100-lh) w/fuze AN-M110/L1	BOP-3-14	Suspended from issue and use. Return to depot for replacement.
3. FUZE, BOMB, NOSE.		
a. AN-M103		
(1) AN-M103	PA-9-15534-1 to -14 incl. 23- 22205-1 to -21 incl. AOP 2- 23202-3 to -6 incl. 2-23262- 14 to -39 Incl. 2-23202-42 to -55 Incl. BOP 2-23204-1 to -30 Incl. IOP 17-23207-1 to -5 Incl. BOP 4-32214 to -10 Incl. PA-52882-1.	Withdraw from issue and use pending special instructions from ASC USSTAF. All fuzes of these type lots on hand at stations should be returned to ammunition depot for replacement.
(2) AN-M103	4-23214-37	Inspect for unserviceability due to moisture in container Return defective fuzes to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) AN-M103	IOP 2-10, SOP 3-84, 3-86, 3-88, IOP 17-23207-27, AOP-217	100% inspection prior to operational use. Defective fuzes to be returned to ammunition depot for replacement.

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ITEM	LOT NUMBER	RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION
b. M103	PA 2717-1 to -6 Inc. 5189-1 to incl instructions from ASC USSTAF. All -2 Incl. 6284 fuzes of these lots should be returned to -1 to -2 Inc. ammunition depots for replacement. 3-6285-1 to -22 Inc. 1-6286-1 to -24 Inc. 7348-1, 8135-1 to -5 Inc. 8-15534-1 to -29 Inc., 24-22205-1 to -10 Inc., ROP 2-23202- 1, 2-23202-7 to -13 Inc., 2-23202-40 to -41 Inc., ROP 7-23204-1 to -2 Inc., ROP 4-23214-1 to -3 Inc., 4-23214-22.	Withdraw from issue and use pending spec- Inc. 5189-1 to incl instructions from ASC USSTAF. All -2 Incl. 6284 fuzes of these lots should be returned to -1 to -2 Inc. ammunition depots for replacement. 3-6285-1 to -22 Inc. 1-6286-1 to -24 Inc. 7348-1, 8135-1 to -5 Inc. 8-15534-1 to -29 Inc., 24-22205-1 to -10 Inc., ROP 2-23202- 1, 2-23202-7 to -13 Inc., 2-23202-40 to -41 Inc., ROP 7-23204-1 to -2 Inc., ROP 4-23214-1 to -3 Inc., 4-23214-22.
c. T-33	PA 131-1, 131-2	Restricted for use with glide bombs only and not for low level bombing. Delay varies from 3-1/2 to 11 secs. although boxes are marked 8 to 11 seconds.
L. FUZE, BOMB, TAIL.		
a. M106	All lots.	Suspend from issue and use. Return all fuzes to ammunition depots.
b. AN-M100 series.		
(1) AN-M100.1	APD 1-23202-18, -19, -56, -57-75, -85, -137, 149, SC 1-9, 1-10, ROP 1-2, 1-3, 1-4.	Inspection of fuzes in accordance with USSTAF Armament and Ordnance Memo. #3-50, 23 Feb. 1944.
(2) AN-M100.1	PA 9-23310-89	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) AN-M101.1	SC-25, PA-9-23310- 102	100% inspection required to determine if stationary gear is fixed to stationary gear carried. Defective fuzes should be returned to ammunition depots for re- placement.
(4) AN-M101.1	PA 9-23310-31, -45, -102, -103, -104, -105, -106, -107.	Inspection of fuzes in accordance with USSTAF Armament and Ordnance Memo. #3-50, 23 Feb. 1944.
c. M113	PA-25-21	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.

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ITEM	LOT NUMBER	RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION
d. M112A1 w/PD, M16A1, 8-15 sec. delay	PA-117-22 PA-117-24 PA-117-25 PA-117-27 PA-117-29 PA-135-1 PA-135-9	Suspended from issue and use. Return to depot for replacement.
e. M113A1 w/PD M16A1 8-15 sec. delay.	PA 121-3 PA 121-7 PA 121-13 PA 121-14 PA 121-15 PA 121-16	Suspended from issue and use. Return to depot for replacement.

5. PRIMER DETONATORS.

a. M14 (.01 sec. delay) 17-22647-6 100% inspection for improperly machined threads. Return defective items to ammunition depots for replacement.

6. AIRCRAFT MACHINE GUN.
AND CANNON AMMUNITION.

a. Caliber .50.

(1) Cart. AP, Cal..50
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FA 634-734 Inc. Suspend from combat use. Should be in-
FA 736-767 Inc. spected for split necks and used for
REM 5006-5481 training only. Defective cartridges
Inc. SL 7000- should be returned to ammunition depot
8441 Inc. for replacement.
SL 3551-8601 Inc.
SL 9201, 9208, 9211,
9212.
LC 12030
LC 12117-12728 Inc.
U 16000-16276 Inc.
U 16278, 16279, 16283,
16286, 16290, 16292,
16295, 16305
TV 18000-18416 Inc.
DM 20000-20013 Inc.
DM 20015-20159 Inc.
M 29000-29002 Inc.
IM 31000-21041 Inc.
VRA 22000-22092 Inc.
KS 30000-30086 Inc.
KS 30088
KS 30090-30117 Inc.
KS 30119-30136 Inc.
KS 30138-30139, 30144,
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(2) Cart. AP, Cal..50 P2	WA 735 DN 20014	Regrade to grade "3" and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) Cart. AP, Cal.50, P2	M29022	Regrade to Grade "MG".
(4) Cart. API, Cal.50, P3	TV 18262	Regrade to Grade "AC"
(5) Cart. API, Cal.50 P8 Repack	TM-L-82323 TM-L-82326	Remove suspension and return to service for training only.
(6) Cart. API, Cal.50, P8 Repack.	TM-L-18262	Remove suspension and return to service. (No grade change).
(7) Cart, Inc, Cal.50, M1	FA 1-136 Inc. Suspend from combat use. Inspect for U 16000-16132 split necks and use for training only. Defective cartridges should be returned U 16134, 16136, to ammo. depots for replacement. 16,165, LC 12000-12199 LC 12286 DN 20000-20156 Inc.	
(8) Cart, Inc, Cal.50, M1	RA 5600-5609	Regrade from "AC" to "MG".
(9) Cart, Inc, Cal.50, M2	RA 5600-5609 Inc. 5566- 5572 Inc. 5574-5576 Inc. 5584	Regrade from "AC" to "MG".
(10) Cart, Tracer, Cal..50, M1	SL 8421 SL 8447	Regrade to Grade 3, Return to depot.
(11) Cart. Tracer, Cal.50, M2	FA 1-7 Inc.	Suspend from combat use, Inspect for split necks and use for training only. Defective cartridges should be returned to ammunition depots for replacement.
(12) Cart, Tracer, Cal.50, M1	SL 8464 SL 8485 DI 20169	Regrade to grade "3" and return to ammo. depots for replacement.
(13) Cart, Tracer, Cal.50, M1	SI-L-31299, 81566, 81567, 81571, 81573 thru 81575 81577 thru 81580 81582 thru 81586 81604 thru 81635	Data cards incorrectly marked "M10", change to read "M1".
(14) Cart, Ball, Cal.50, M2	SL 7146	Return to service for issue and use in grade "AC".

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(15) Cart, Ball, Cal. 50, M2	SL 7044	Suspend from issue and use. Return to depot.
(16) Cart, Ball, Cal. 50, M2	M1 29144	Suspension lifted. Return to issue and use
b. 20 mm		
(1) Shell, fixed, practice Mk 1, for M1 & M2. W 1-50422		Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(2) Cart, HE/I, M97 w/ fuze PD T71E4	KOP-21-M1	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
c. 37 mm		
(1) Shell, fixed, HE, M54 w/ fuze M56	5212 KOP 3-5951-87	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(2) Shell, Fixed, practice, M55.1, w/ fuze inert M56, w/ tracer, for M2	LOP-19-24 -19-25 -19-26	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
d. Fuzes, 37 mm		
(1) P.D. M55	PA-1-5434-4	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(2) P.D. M54A1 w/ booster M20A1	KOP 2-6965-44	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) M55, T & SQ. w/ booster M21A1	SHC-12-9	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(4) M55A1 T & SQ	PA-177-3	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.

7. GROUND WEAPONS, AMMUNITION,

a. Shell, Shot gun,

(1) Shell, shot gun 12 ga.	WCC 1202, 210 12-60516-2 10-60516-3 10-60516-9 36717-51 WCC 22162	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
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(2) Shell, shotgun, 12 ga.	LECC 36717-31 to -34 Inc. 10-60516-10 to-13 Inc. 21-60516-5, FCC 36717-48, 366717-35 FCC 8-9716-3 FCC 26-14, 26019. 10-60516-18 to -19 Inc.	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(3) Shell, shotgun 12 ga.	FCC-10-60516-5	Advise of TM-9-285 and TM-9-1285, adjust head-space. Use only in comparatively new guns in good mechanical condition.
(4) Shell, shotgun, 12 ga.	FCC 26032, 26033 26034, 26036, RA 5489, 5517, FCC 1215	Regrade to Grade "3" and return to arm- munition depots for replacement.
(5) Shell, shotgun 12 gage (No. 8 shot.)	FCC 1397	Suspend from use and issue. Return to depot.
(6) Shell, shotgun, gage (#7½ shot)	FCC-60516-6	Suspension lifted. Return to issue and use.
(7) Shell, shotgun, gage	TEL-22163 TEL-21162	Suspend from issue and use. Return to depot.
b. Caliber .45.		
(1) Cart, Ball Cal. .45, M1911	EC 24606-S EC 24836-XC EC 24856-XC	Regrade to grade "1".
(2) Cart, Ball, Cal. .45, M1911	TEL. 22070	Regrade to Grade "2". Restricted for use in submachine gun and cal. .45 pistol only Should not be used in revolvers.
(3) Cart, Ball, Cal. .45, M1911	EL 5009 EC 24661-S	Regrade to Grade 2. Restricted for training use only.
(4) Cart, ball, Cal. .45, M1911	EL 725, 939, 945, 988, 998, TEL. 22105 22114, 22115, EL 5328 EC 24576-S	Regrade to grade 3. Return to arm- munition depots for replacement.
(5) Cart, ball, Cal. .45, M1911.	TEL-22116	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(6) Cart, ball, Cal. .45 M1911	EC-24794-XC	Suspension lifted. Return to issue and use.
(7) Cart, ball, Cal. .45 M1911	ECS-24853-XC	Suspension lifted. Re-grade to Grade 2.

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ITEM	LOT NUMBER	RECOMMENDED DISPOSITION
(8) Cart, Ball, Cal..45, M911	WM. 2209h	Regrade to Grade 3 and return to depot.
(9) Cart, Tracer, Cal..45	All lots.	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
c. Cal..30 Carbine		
(1) Cart, cal.30 Carbine M1	PC 2606h	Regrade to grade "R"
(2) Cart, Cal.30 Carbine, M1	PC 26145	Regrade from "R" to grade "3". Return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) Cart, Cal..30 Carbine, M1	PC 26198	Restricted to training use only and regrade to grade "3".
(4) Cart, Cal..30 Carbine, MPT, T27.	WMA 2001, 2002	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
d. Cal..30, Ball		
(1) Cart, Ball Cal..30, M2	WM. 2239h, 22395 2284h SL 7002	Regrade to grade "IG"
(2) Cart, Ball Cal..30, M2	TV 18403 WM. 22325, 2233h	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(3) Cart, ball Cal..30, M2	SL 7072, 7134, 72227, 7402, WMA 22507-C	Regrade to grade 3 and return to ammunition depot for replacement.
(4) Cart, ball Cal..30, M2	DM 20745 EV 28231 FL 3841	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(5) Cart, ball Cal..30, M1	FA 1515	Regrade from "LC" to "IG"
(6) Cart, ball Cal..30, M1	FL 1384, 1487	Incorrectly listed in SB-9-AMM, 29 June as "M2". Correct to read "M1" and regrade to grade "R" priority of issue.
(7) Cart, ball, Cal..30, M2	LC 13427	Suspension lifted. Return to issue and use.
(8) Cart, ball, Cal..30, M2	SLB 91553	Suspension lifted. Return to issue and use

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(9) Cart,ball, Cal..30,M2	SL C81225	Suspend from issue and use and return to depot.
(10) Cart,ball, Cal..30,M2	WEL 22875 WEL 22876 WEL 22844	Regrade to Grade MG
(11) Cart,ball Cal..30,M2	SL 8068-C SL 8069-C SL 8072-C SL C81255 SL C811437 U-B-83391 (repack)	Regrade to Grade 3 and return to depot.
(12) Cart,ball,Carbine LC 12100 Cal..30 M1.		Regrade to grade 3. Suspend from issue and use.
(13) Cart,ball,Carbine, PC 26394 Cal..30,M2		Suspend from issue and use. Return to depot.
e. Cal..30 Tracer.		
(1) Cart,Tracer Cal..30,M2	SL 7232	Regrade to grade 3 and return to ammunition depot for replacement.
(2) Cart,Tracer Cal..30,M1	SL 7221,7225, 7226 TW 18045,18105 LC 12220,12227 DEM 14442.	Regrade to grade 3 and return to ammo. depots for replacement.
(3) Cart,Tracer Cal..30,M1	TA 715	Regrade from "MC" to "MG". Return to ammo. depots for replacement or use for training only.
(4) Cart,Tracer Cal..30	TV 18380	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(5) Cart,Tracer Cal..30,M1	LS 12256 SL 7248	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(6) Cart,Tracer Cal..30 8rd clips in bandoleers.	DEM C-97731,97761 97764	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
f. Cal..30, ...P.		
(1) Cart. ...P. Cal..30 8rd clips in bandoleers.	DEM C-97717	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.

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(2) Cart, A.P. Cal..30 5rd clips in bandoleers	DEN C-97738 DEN C-97755	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
g. Cal..30, AP & T		
(1) Cart, Cal..30 AP & T, 250 rds. Web. belts, 4AP to 1 T.	DEN-B97732, 97734 97735, 97739, 97749, 97752, 97754, 97756.	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
h. Cal..30, Rifle Grenade.		
(1) Cart, Rifle Grenade, EA 54 Cal..30, F3		Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
i. Cal..22		
(1) Cart, Cal..22 L.R.	EA 182 R. 5007	Regrade to grade 3 and return to ammuni- tion depots for replacements.
j. MISCELLANEOUS		
a. Grenades		
(1) Grenade #68 A.T. All Lots		Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(2) Detonator, grenade hand #36 M	11000	Restricted from issue and use, unless operationally necessary. Return to am- munition depots for replacement.
(3) Grenade, Hand, Frag, Mk III.1 (Ign. M1043)	EA-1-39	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(4) Grenade, Rifle, A.T. F9.1	GR-414, -73, -214, -262, -263, -386, GR-4-28	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(5) Grenade, Rifle, A.T. F9.1	DOD 52705-6	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(6) Grenade, Hand. Practice, 221	EA-3-17	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
b. Rockets.		
(1) Rocket, Practice, A.T. 2136" 17.1	WC-30-31	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.
(2) Rocket, F.E. M8.3 4.5"	GOP-11-7 -11-11	Suspend from issue and use and return to ammunition depots for replacement.

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(3) Rockets, H.E. 18.2, 4.5"	GCP-11-10	Suspend from issue and use and return to munition depots for replacement.
(4) Rocket, Practice A.T. 2.36" 17A1	GR-3-8 GR-3-10 GCD-5-3A	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(5) Rocket, HE, A.T. 2.36" 16A1	DOD-47A DOD-5A GA-1-10A	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
c. Charge, Spotting Assembly, 11A1	ELP-14 167-23139	Suspend from issue and use and return to munition depots for replacement.
d. Signals.		
(1) Signal, AC, Double Star G-G, M-132	TE-1-37 TE-1-38	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(2) Signal, AC Double Star R-G, M-141	UNX 38-23182-13	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(3) Signal, AC, Single Star Green-M-145	TE-7	Remove suspension and return to service for issue and use.
(4) Signal, AC, Double Star G-Y, M-142	All Lots.	Suspend from issue and use until further notice. If necessary to use signals the following lots are acceptable: TE-2-2, -2-5, -2-11, -2-14, -2-16, -2-22, -2-40, -2-44, -2-54, -2-56, -2-62, -2-65, -2-68, -2-71, -2-77, -2-83, -2-95 thru -2-96, -2-101, -3-4, -4-9. UNC-5-28, -5-29, -5-31, -5-33, -5-36, -5-46. AV-147-23143-21 TE-134-23143-4
e. Pyrotechnics		
(1) Signal, A/C SSC, Green	UN-1-6 132-23143-6 UN-5-36	Suspend from issue and use. Return to Depot.

By command of Brigadier General S.WILLIS:

THOMAS G. KIMBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

210.68 x 220.68

4 February 1945

SUBJECT: Return of Personnel to Continental Limits of U.S.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Letter, this Hq, subject: "Return of Personnel to Continental Limits of U.S.", dated 11 November 1944, is rescinded.

2. Present War Department policy is that an officer or enlisted man who is the sole survivor of three or more sons from one family who have been killed or reported missing in action in the armed forces will be returned to the continental limits of the United States with notation made on individual personnel records, "By order of the Secretary of War this officer (or enlisted man) will not be assigned to duty outside the United States." If subject officer or enlisted man has surviving brothers or sisters outside of the armed forces, it is not sufficient evidence to warrant approval under the present policy.

3. Whenever an incident of this nature occurs in any units under your command and the person is presently assigned to hazardous duty which would subject him to personal danger, it should be reported immediately through channels to this Headquarters. If the facts set forth are in accordance with the policy as indicated, action will then be initiated by this Headquarters to return the surviving son, officer or enlisted man, to the U.S. by first available transportation for permanent assignment near his home.

By command of Lieutenant General SPANZ:

s/ Harris F. Scherer
t/ HARRIS F. SCHERER
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, U.S. Army, 15 February 1945

TO: C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

For your information and compliance.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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Asst Adj General

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MEMORANDUM
NO. 140-2)

ORDNANCE

AMMUNITION SUPPLY

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AUTH: CG, 1ST TACAF
DATE: 26 Feb. 1945
INIT: *Ji*
26 February 1945.

(This memorandum supersedes Memorandum
140-2 dated 29 December 1944)

1. RESPONSIBILITY.

a. Tactical Command Headquarters and First French Air Corps are charged with establishing Station Stock Level Figures. Minimum stock levels at Tactical Stations will be a three (3) day supply, and a maximum of five (5) day supply; of all Ammunition Items. Stock level figures may be revised from time to time by the Tactical Commands. Accurate Records will be kept to insure prompt delivery for Tactical demands.

b. It is the responsibility of the Commanding Officers of the Depots, service centers, and Service Groups to procure, maintain and issue ammunition.

2. STOCK LEVELS.

a. Service centers will maintain stock levels on airdromes in accord with the levels established as provided in 1a above.

b. Organizations on airfields requiring ammunition will draw upon the Ordnance Service Team in the Service Group. Units not on airfields will draw ammunition from the nearest Ordnance Service Team.

c. Depot Stock Levels will be a minimum of five (5) days and a maximum of ten (10) days supply of units which they are servicing.

d. Service Centers will consolidate request and requisition upon the Depot servicing them. Depots will make requests by submitting status of stocks to this Headquarters.

e. Using units will draw upon the Service Team Stocks, using organizational transportation. Service Groups will draw upon the Depot utilizing Service Group transportation. Depots will not deliver ammunition.

3. REPORTS.

a. Commands will submit a consolidated expenditure report as of 1200 hours on the 10th, 20th, and last day of each month, daily expenditures for their respective commands to this Headquarters, Extension 108, between 1900 hours and 2200 hours. Anticipated expenditures for the succeeding three (3) months will be submitted on the 15th of each month.

b. Service Groups will submit a consolidated status of stocks report as of 1200 hours on the 10th, 20th and last day of each month, including all ammunition on the airstrip, including ammunition at aircraft dispersal areas. Daily changes by telephone, (Extension 108) between 1900 hours and 2200 hours. Confirmation copies will be mailed each day. "On Hand" column will be filled in daily on confirmation copy.

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(Memorandum No. 140-2, Hdqs First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 26 February 45)

4. AMMUNITION DUMPS.

a. Ammunition Dumps on combat stations will be operated and maintained by the Service Group. Tactical Units will not operate a separate ammunition dump. Bombs may be spotted at dispersal, but not to exceed two missions regardless of type.

5. ISSUES.

a. Issues of ammunition will be made from the depot to the Service Center upon request and from the Service Group S & M Company to the Tactical Organization.

b. Service Centers and Service Groups will telephone request to depot ammunition officers prior to physical pick up of ammunition in order to insure proper delivery.

6. ABANDONED AIRFIELDS.

a. When airfields are abandoned by units of this Air Force it is the responsibility of the Service Group Ordnance S & M Company on the field to notify the depot of such intention. The Ordnance S & M Company will accumulate all ammunition, which is not carried by the unit, in one central dump and maintain supervision until it reverts to Depot Control.

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

2781

C. E. CRUMLINE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
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28 February 1945

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 31)

REORGANIZATION OF CERTAIN FIGHTER WINGS

1. Pursuant to authority contained in letter, HQ, USSTAF, dated 23 February 1945, Subject: "Reorganization of Certain Fighter Units (No. 20)", the following units will reorganize upon receipt of copy of T/O & E 1-10-1, dated 24 Sept 1944, with an authorized strength of fifty-three (53) officers, one (1) warrant officer, and one hundred and ninety-one (191) enlisted men:

Hq & H. Sq, 63rd Fighter Wing
Hq & H. Sq, 64th Fighter Wing
Hq & H. Sq, 71st Fighter Wing

2. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

3. Filler personnel and equipment will be requisitioned in the usual manner. Personnel made excess by this action, if any, will be reported to this headquarters by MOS numbers. No enlisted personnel will be reduced in grade because of this action.

4. Obsolete the appropriate allotments published in Section II, Circular 245, WD, 1944, to the extent necessary.

5. Furnish this headquarters with six (6) copies of orders issued.

6. Dates of reorganization will be reported to this headquarters without delay.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

2803

C. B. CRUMHINE
Colonel, Air Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (TFAF)
APO 374

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14 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Preventative Maintenance.

TO: Commanding Generals, Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (TFAF), APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. Ordnance road patrols and maintenance shops report an increasingly high percentage of vehicles immobilized on the highways because of clogged and water filled fuel systems. In cold weather, water in the fuel tends to freeze, retards the flow of fuel and results in damage to the vehicle.

2. The condition is apparently being caused by:

- a. The prevalent practice of leaving the tops of jerricans open, allowing water and foreign matter to accumulate in them.
- b. Lack of preventative maintenance in servicing fuel systems.
- c. Normal condensation under winter operating conditions.

3. The following corrective practices must be initiated by all unit commanders in order that this condition will not continue.

- a. Jerrican and gas container tops must be closed at all times.
- b. Condensation must be kept to a minimum by keeping vehicle gas tanks as nearly full as possible.
- c. Technical Manuals state that drain plugs at the bottom of fuel filters should be drained frequently. Under present conditions it is recommended that this drain plug be removed daily to drain out accumulated sediment and the filter element should be serviced every 1,000 miles or weekly whichever occurs first. The fuel pump filter bowl and screen should be cleaned once weekly to remove accumulated water and dirt which might work its way into the carburetor or fuel pump valves.

4. Ordnance shops report that a high percentage of engine failures of general purpose vehicles have been caused by exhaust pipes being pinched closed to provide a distinct hissing noise. This practice causes high back pressure in the exhaust system with resultant exhaust valve failures at low mileages. It is directed that all commanding officers inspect their vehicles at once and take necessary corrective action to eliminate this condition.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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M-A-1

6 February 1945

SUBJECT: Assignment of Attending Veterinarian.

TO : CG's and CO's, All units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. The following information is furnished in accordance with the provisions of par 13, AR 40-2010.

a. Captain Everett T. Anderson, VC, attached to this headquarters, is designated Attending Veterinarian to all units this Air Force, by authority contained in letter, Hq U.S. Strategic Air Force in Europe, Subject: Assignment of Veterinary Officers, File 210.3, dated 17 November 1944.

By command of Brigadier General CAVILLE:

Neil M. Matzger
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Lt. Col., AGD,
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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8 February 1945

SUBJECT: Leaves and Furloughs in Great Britain.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Pursuant to authority contained in Letter, Hq, European T of Opns, U. S. Army, file AG 210.711 x 220.711. WDGA, subject as above, dated 23 January 1945, copy inclosed, and Messageform No. 04385. Hq. U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, dated 31 January 1945, this headquarters will be allotted a quota for the return of personnel to Great Britain for leaves and furloughs. Quota received will be suballotted to addressees under separate authorization. No personnel will be granted leaves or furloughs under the provisions of this letter by addressees until notified of a quota by this headquarters.

2. Flow of personnel to the reception camp will be controlled so as to insure that the number of personnel arriving at the reception camp in any one day will not exceed your daily quota.

3. Additional instructions for United Kingdom leave and furlough personnel are:

a. UK Leave Reception Camp is located at Etretat, France (Coordinates 15850).

b. Leave personnel will carry mess gear and two (2) blankets.

c. The Commanding General, District "A", Channel Base Section, APO 228, will be notified by fastest means available as to number of officers and enlisted men being shipped at time of each shipment to the UK Leave Reception Camp and estimated time of arrival.

d. Personnel entitled to awards or decorations may secure same at Reception Camp upon presentation of authority for them.

e. A personnel roster of each group will be prepared and officer personnel from each shipment will be designated group commander.

4. In the implementation of this leave program, you will be responsible to insure that not over five percent (5%) of your command or any organization under your command will be absent for over a twenty-four (24) hour period at any one time. You will further be held responsible for furnishing necessary transportation to and from the Reception Camp designated. The greatest possible economy of transportation will be exercised.

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5. The above quota may be used for Combat Crew personnel or non-combat personnel. However, priority should be given to Combat personnel.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. R. Long
for
WILLIAM H. HATZGER
Lt Col, AGC,
Asst Adj General

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UNITED STATES ARMY

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ARO 387
23 Jan 1945

SUBJECT: Leaves and Furloughs in Great Britain.

TO : Commanding Generals,
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US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. The return of personnel to Great Britain for leave and furlough is announced. Each such leave and furlough will be for a period of seven days computed from the date of debarkation in Great Britain to the date of embarkation in Great Britain for return to the Continent, and may be to any appropriate point in Great Britain, as designated by the individual concerned. Individuals may designate points to be visited in Great Britain upon prior confirmation of private lodging with friends or relatives, or to points where adequate Red Cross facilities are in operation.

2. By separate communication, this headquarters will from time to time allocate to the major commanders the respective numbers of personnel, officer and enlisted, to whom they may grant leaves and furloughs in Great Britain. Due to the necessity for coordinated control of accommodations, upon the granting of each leave and furlough, the local commander concerned will not designate the point in Great Britain to be visited, but will indicate "Great Britain" as the destination of the individual concerned.

3. Any partial payment required so that the individual may have sufficient funds for the duration of the leave or furlough will be accomplished at the home station or by the unit commander concerned, and partial payments during the period of the leave or furlough, except in emergencies, will not be accomplished.

4. Uniform will be as prescribed, consistent with the articles of uniform available, by the major subordinate commander concerned, conforming with Par 3c Sec II, GO 56, this headquarters, 29 May 1944, prescribing the service uniform while on pass in civilian communities. Arms will not accompany the individual. Articles of individual equipment will accompany personnel as prescribed by the Commanding General, Channel Base Section.

5. It will be the responsibility of the army commanders, based upon sub-allocations made to them by the army group commander concerned, to assemble their leave and furlough personnel at one central point for outward transportation. In order to effect maximum economy in transportation, sub-allocations to army commanders will normally be so staggered that the entire army group allocation may be collected on one day at one collecting point, thus obviating the necessity for daily shipments from the collecting points of all of the armies. In like manner, the Chief of Transportation will return incoming shipments to such central point.

6. Responsibilities for the conduct of this project are defined:

a. CG, Channel Base Section:

(1) To operate a suitable reception camp adequate for the reception, accommodation and shipment of leave and furlough personnel arriving from, and embarking for, Great Britain; and to publish to the commanders concerned the regulations for the reception and handling of such personnel.

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(2) To prepare appropriate shipping lists and embarkation tables, prior to the embarkation of the personnel for Great Britain, and to advise the CG, UK Base, in advance, of the numbers and destination of each cross-channel shipment.

(3) To provide for the exchange of currency, immediately prior to embarkation and immediately after debarkation upon return, by all leave and furlough personnel.

(4) To coordinate with the Chief of Transportation as to all movements of personnel from such reception camp, both water shipments for Great Britain and rail shipments for return to the army collecting points.

(5) To prepare and issue to each individual the "Combined Leave, Pass and Railway Ticket", British Army Forms AFW3145B (1st) (for officers) and AFW3145C (3rd) (for enlisted personnel). The Combined Leave, Pass and Railway Ticket will be issued without expense to the individual. Prior to their issue they will be completed in full, and the destination within Great Britain inserted, as appropriate. To the extent of the available transportation and accommodations, the destination designated will be in accordance with the request of the individual concerned.

(6) To provide rations to accompany the individual, sufficient to cover the period until his arrival at the reception camp, UK Base.

(7) To provide rations to accompany the individual, upon return, sufficient to cover the period until his arrival at the Army Collecting Point.

b. CG, UK Base:

(1) To establish and operate an appropriate reception camp adequate for the reception, customs check, accommodation and shipment of leave and furlough personnel debarking from, and returning to, the Continent.

(2) To make available to each such shipment, upon arrival, appropriate rail transportation to the destinations of the individuals concerned, based upon the shipping rosters previously furnished by the CG, Channel Base Section.

(3) As the Combined Leave, Pass and Railway Tickets to be furnished by the CG, Channel Base Section will provide for both inbound and outbound rail traffic within Great Britain, it will be unnecessary for the CG, UK Base, to issue warrants for the travel of such leave or furlough personnel within Great Britain. In appropriate cases, the CG, UK Base, is authorized to change the destination within Great Britain of individual leave and furlough personnel.

(4) To provide rations to accompany the individual upon return, sufficient to cover the period until his arrival at the reception camp, Channel Base Section.

c. Army Commanders:

(1) To collect at one central army collecting point, selected in coordination with the Chief of Transportation, this headquarters, all leave and furlough personnel of the army concerned. Personnel rosters of each such group will be prepared, and from among officer personnel of the shipment, train commanders will be designated. To effect the maximum economies consistent with the efficient operation, the daily outward rail movement of personnel will be limited to one movement per army group, and such daily trains will alternate, as between the armies concerned as prescribed by the army group commander.

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(2) To provide rations to accompany the individual, sufficient to cover the period until his arrival at the reception camp, Channel Base Section.

d. Commanders other than Army and Army Group Commanders: Commanders other than army and army group to whom allocations are made will provide transportation for the leave and furlough personnel of their commands to and from the reception camp, Channel Base Section.

e. Chief of Transportation:

(1) In coordination with the army commanders, to provide rail transportation from each army collecting point to the reception camp, Channel Base Section, and return.

(2) To provide water transportation from the reception camp, Channel Base Section, to the reception camp, UK Base, and return.

6. Direct communication is authorized.

By command of General BISHOP: LR:

s/ R. B. Lovett,
t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

V-D-1

8 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Issuance of Passes.

TO : See Distribution.

1. It has come to the attention of this Headquarters that unit commanders are issuing passes to personnel of their organization which permit them to be away from their stations after the prescribed hours of curfew. This practice will cease immediately.

2. The Military Police will cancel, at any time, the pass of an enlisted man which authorizes him to be away from his station after the hours of curfew. When enlisted men are apprehended by the Military Police for being in the possession of an unauthorized pass it not only proves embarrassing to the man concerned, but detracts from the time he is authorized to be away from his duties.

3. Organization commanders will determine the curfew hour in towns to which passes for men in their unit are granted and will issue passes only for times in which they may be used.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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9 February 1945

SUBJECT: Ground Force Training Center.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Applications for the INFANTRY OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL, GROUND FORCE TRAINING CENTER are now being accepted.

2. All applications will be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Circular Number 13, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, U. S. Army, dated 31 January 1945, and will be forwarded through command channels to the selecting authority.

3. Headquarters, III Tactical Air Command; Headquarters, 42nd Bomb Wing; and this Headquarters are authorized to make final selection of applicants to attend the school and will appoint boards of officers to examine applicants in accordance with AR 625-5.

4. Processing of applications will be expedited.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILE:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Technical Publications.

TO : All Tactical Units, Service Units and Air Depot Groups, this Air Force.

1. Technical Maintenance Instruction 01-60JD-61, dated 4 October 1944, subject "Amendment to Technical Order - Reinforcement of Horizontal Stabilizer and Vertical Fin, P-51B, C and D Aircraft," is rescinded by Technical Order 01-60J-18, dated 15 January 1945.

2. Technical Maintenance Instruction 01-60JD-61, dated 4 November 1944, subject "Reinforcement of Horizontal Stabilizer and Vertical Fin, P-51B, C and D," is rescinded by Technical Order 01-60J-18, dated 15 January 1945.

3. Technical Maintenance Instruction 01-50B-3, dated 19 January 1945, subject "Non-Compliance with Technical Order and Modification-Installation of Rubber Sheath on Microphone-Oxygen Mask," is rescinded by Technical Order 03-50B-8, dated 18 May 1944.

By command of Brigadier General CAVILLER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AGO 887
14 February 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Personnel Records.

TO : Commanding General, United States Strategic Air Forces (Rear).

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1. War Department reports indicate that deficiencies in personnel records of men currently returned to the Zone of the Interior for discharge are seriously retarding separation procedures and creating unnecessary misunderstanding in the minds of the public. Similar deficiencies in the records of personnel returning to the United States on temporary duty for recuperation have unduly complicated the administrative problems attendant on such movements. Specific instances were cited in letter, this headquarters, dated 3 February 1945, file AG 201.36 ROGA, subject: "Deficiencies in Personnel Records of Temporary Duty Personnel".

2. The continued existence of these record deficiencies will dangerously impede redeployment personnel adjustments upon cessation of hostilities with Germany.

3. Installations serving as embarkation centers for personnel returned to the United States for immediate separation, temporary duty, or future redeployment movements, are charged with final responsibility for the completion of records. However, these installations operate under the pressure of space limitations, transportation demands, and time factors, and can effectively discharge the overall theater responsibility if, and only if, these records have been brought up to date and maintained in proper administrative condition by your units.

4. For your assistance, Record Audit Teams from the Adjutant General's Office, this headquarters, have been established to visit each Field Force and Communications Zone administrative unit. These teams will analyze records, locate specific maintenance errors, instruct personnel in the corrective procedures, and furnish you factual information on the current condition of personnel records. These teams will be given every assistance.

5. It is desired that you give the program of record perfection and maintenance your unrelenting personal attention. The desired standard of excellence can only be achieved through vigorous and continuous action by each of your unit commanders.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/ R. B. LOWETT
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US ARMY, 20 February 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

1. USSTAF Regulations 80-10, 5 August 1944, as amended, represents policy of this headquarters in support of basic communication. Proper maintenance of personnel records will be considered a constant responsibility of all unit personnel sections and will be deemed a permanent special subject for administrative inspectors and inspectors general.

2. The Record Audit Teams noted in par 4 above will not be available to Air Force Units.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

B. Gordon
J. E. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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210.711

15 February 1945

SUBJECT: Leaves and Furloughs in Great Britain.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Reference is made to Letter, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, file AG 210.711 x 220.711 EdCA, subject same as above, dated 23 January 1945; and Letter, this Headquarters, file and subject same as above, dated 8 February 1945.

2. Where the words "Commanding General, Channel Base Section" appear in the above cited letters, they will be changed to read "Commanding General, Normandy Base Section".

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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16 February 1945

SUBJECT: Return of Enlisted Personnel to Zone of Interior.

TO : C.O.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In order to clarify the procedure for return of personnel to the United States, the following pointers are set forth for your information and guidance.

a. Reference return of non-flying enlisted personnel with a minimum of eighteen (18) months overseas service since 16 September 1940, attention is invited to letter, this headquarters, file 220.3, subject: Return of non-flying enlisted personnel to the United States, dated 14 December 1944.

b. Return to the United States is authorized for emergency reasons under the provisions of par. 11b, Section III, WD Circular 58, 9 February 1944, upon approval of the Theater Commander. In connection therewith, as set forth in par. 3, Section VI, of Circular 25, European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army, 11 March 1944, all such requests will be submitted to the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army, through command channels with the recommendation of the appropriate commanders setting forth in detail the reasons necessitating such return, the home address, and MOS number of the individual making such application. Each such request will be accompanied by all available substantiating evidence (including Red Cross report). In addition, the applicant will submit an affidavit listing adult family members or close relatives living in the vicinity and stating the ability or inability of each to cope with the situation as well as a statement as to how the individual's presence might make material difference in the situation. No application will be forwarded by teletype message which method is not considered as complying with the provisions of Circular 25 mentioned above.

c. In addition to provisions of par. 1b, the return of flying personnel to the Zone of Interior will be governed by pertinent provisions relating to such cases as directed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Neil M. Matzger

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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17 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Delinquent Copies of Payrolls and Rosters.

TO : Commanding Generals:
* US Strategic Air Forces in Europe *

1. This headquarters has received numerous letters from the War Department indicating various units have failed to comply with paragraphs 1 and 3, AR 345-155, 15 January 1943, as amended by Changes No 10, 5 May 1944. This regulation requires that a separate payroll be prepared for each company or detachment and that the first carbon copy be submitted direct to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D.C., in lieu of monthly personnel rosters.

2. It has also been reported that some units are failing to submit appropriate initial and final rosters upon organization, activation, reorganization, redesignation, inactivation, or disbandment as required by paragraphs 12, 13, and 14, AR 345-900, 22 May 1942, as amended by Changes No 4, 22 June 1944.

3. Failure to submit copies of payrolls and rosters results not only in outdated records in the office of The Adjutant General, but also necessitates much unnecessary correspondence directing that delinquent copies be forwarded.

4. Payrolls and rosters should not be addressed to the attention of the Machine Records Branch, Office of The Adjutant General. Letters of transmittal will be addressed direct to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D.C., and not to or through any agency of this headquarters.

5. It is desired that all units of your command be instructed in accordance with this letter.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

/s/ R. B. Lovett
/t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, AFO 633, US Army, 21 February 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For compliance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPANZ:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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17 February 1945

SUBJECT: Classification Reports.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. It is desired that a monthly report containing the following information for organizations assigned to your command be forwarded to reach this Headquarters not later than the 6th day of each month:

- a. Number of Forms 20 reviewed by Classification Specialists to obtain correct reporting based on complete and accurate records and the reduction of improper classification and malassignment to a minimum.
- b. Number of onlisted men interviewed to determine proper classification or assignment.
- c. Of the total onlisted men interviewed:
 - (1) Number found to be improperly classified.
 - (2) Number found to be malassigned.
- d. Number of onlisted men recommended for appearance before a Reclassification Board.
- e. Number of onlisted men reclassified by Board action.
- f. Number of cases where consideration for upward reclassification was recommended to Commanding Officer.
- g. Number of upward reclassifications actually approved by Commanding Officer.
- h. Any recommendations or suggestions to facilitate the operation or utilization of classification in this command.

2. Reports will be forwarded through command channels and consolidated by commands prior to submission to this Headquarters.

3. The first report will be for the month of March and will be forwarded to reach this Headquarters by 6 April 1945.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Neil M. Mitzger

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Lt. Col., AGD,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
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18 February 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Orchestras.

TO : See Distribution.

1. This headquarters has frequent occasion to assist Special Service Officers in the procurement of bands for dances at their installations. It is therefore essential that this headquarters have in its possession at all times a complete and accurate list of all dance bands and orchestras within the First Tactical Air Force.

2. It is requested that your headquarters submit a report of bands and orchestras within your Command, as follows:

<u>Name of Band</u>	<u>Orgn</u>	<u>OIC</u>	<u>Instrumentation</u>	<u>No. of Pieces</u>	<u>Status</u>
					(Formative or Active)

3. This report will be submitted so as to reach this headquarters not later than 5 March 1945.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
IN EUROPE

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20 February 1945

SUBJECT: Procedure for Return of Individuals.

TO : Commanding General, 1st Tactical Air Force, APO 374, U.S. Army

1. Reference is made to letter, this same subject, dated 29 June 1944, which stressed the necessity for proper processing of records of individuals, at the unit level.

2. Individuals are continuing to arrive at reinforcements depots without required records, or with records improperly completed. The importance of this phase of administration is again brought to your attention, and it is desired that increased efforts be made to insure compliance with all directives relating to procedure for return of individuals.

3. Current instructions (pertinent to units) governing procedure for return of individuals are contained in the following publications:

a. PRI, 16 Aug 44, WD AGO 370.5, "Procedure for Return of Individuals"; and Supplement No. 1 thereto dated 23 Dec 44.

b. ETO Cir 110, 1944.

(1) Amended by ETO Cir 125, 1944.

(2) ETO Cir 110 invokes WD Cir 200, 1944, but the list of equipment for personnel returning to US, will be as in the ETO Cir.

c. ETO Cir 124, 1944.

4. The CO, 70th Reinforcement Depot, is authorized to return incomplete records to the unit for completion, detaining the personnel at the depot; or to return personnel to the unit, when necessary, in connection with records and equipment.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

s/ Walter Brevig
t/ WALTER BREVIG
1st Lt, Air Corps
Acting Asst Adj Gen

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, U.S. Army, 27 February 1945.

TO: C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. For strict compliance with basic communication.
2. Organization commanders will insure that all records, properly completed, and correct equipment accompany each individual returned to Zone of Interior.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Matzger

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Lt Col, AGD,
Asst Adj General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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21 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Technical Publications.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Technical Maintenance Instruction 01-65EC-91, dated 16 January 1945, subject "Remarking of Carburetor Air Temperature Indicators - P-47 Series Aircraft Equipped with Water Injection," is rescinded and replaced by Technical Order 01-65B-79, dated 1 November 1944.

2. Technical Maintenance Instruction 03-5-1, dated 9 August 1943, subject "Modification of the Feather Switch as installed in B-26 and C-46 Aircraft," is rescinded and replaced by Technical Order 03-20B-30, dated 15 November 1944.

3. Technical Maintenance Instruction 01-60JD-25, dated 30 March 1944, subject "Rework of Generator Conduit - P-51B Aircraft," is obsolete and is rescinded.

By Command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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21 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Technical Publications.

TO : See Distribution.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374

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21 February 1945

SUBJECT: Enlisted Men's Day Room Furniture.

TO : See Distribution.

1. A limited quantity of furniture is available in England to furnish enlisted men's clubs and day rooms. Easy chairs, fireside chairs, couches, card tables, writing tables, floor lamps, and table lamps are included in the lot.

2. Organizations desiring some of this furniture should requisition same on QMC form 400 through this headquarters. Approved requisitions will be returned with instructions as to where furniture can be picked up. Each unit will arrange the necessary air transportation.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
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Major, Air Corps, G.
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24 February 1941

SUBJECT: Hauling of Rations.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. It has come to the attention of this headquarters that dirty trucks and trailers are being used to haul food supplies to and from First Tactical Air Force (Prov) breakdown points.

2. This is resulting in a considerable waste of food, and is a constant source of danger to the health of the command.

3. Henceforth vehicles in which rations are carried will be thoroughly cleaned before being dispatched.

4. Personnel at food breakdown points will not load dirty vehicles.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG
Major, Air Corps,
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23 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Operation of Post Exchanges.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Effective 1 March 1945 all unit Post Exchanges will begin operations in accordance with Army Exchange Service, ETOUSA SOP #25, dated 15 June 1944. All Commanding Officers of American units are authorized to establish and operate such Post Exchanges as are needed for the supply of Post Exchange items to their own and attached units. The following are a few principles recommended for the establishment and operation of Post Exchanges.

a. Only one Post Exchange should be operated on each airfield, or for each group of organizations at a given geographical location. This will conserve personnel, transportation, and eliminate unnecessary paper work as well as result in better service being given to your Post Exchange by your Army Exchange Branch warehouse. Units which are located near to each other may consolidate and operate one Post Exchange for all units within their immediate area.

b. Members appointed to the Post Exchange Council for each Post Exchange should be representative of all units served by the Exchange.

c. Personnel to operate the Post Exchange should be furnished on an equitable basis for all units served.

d. Separate units which do not operate their own Post Exchange will be attached by mutual arrangement to the nearest Post Exchange for PX rations.

2. Each Post Exchange Officer appointed is authorized to establish a sub-Exchange if the location of a unit or units necessitates its establishment. The establishment of a sub-Exchange does not relieve the Post Exchange Officer of his financial responsibility.

3. Instructions for the supply of Post Exchange items to French and English Air Force units will be forwarded at a later date.

4. For guidance in activating your Post Exchange the following is quoted from ETOUSA SOP #25:

PART II - ACTIVATION AND OPERATION

4. ORDERS REQUIRED: When the Commanding Officer has directed that an Exchange is to be established (par 4b, AR 210-65), the following orders will be issued:

a. An order appointing an Exchange Council (par 17a(1) AR 210-65). The Council will consist of the Exchange Officer and not more than six Officers selected from the Command. The Commanding Officer will not be a member of the Council, except when there are not more than three officers on duty at the post. This body will act as an Advisory Body to the Commanding Officer and Exchange Officer.

b. An order appointing the Exchange Officer. (par 16b, AR 210-65).

(1) The Commanding Officer will carefully select and appoint an

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officer who possesses the necessary business qualifications and experience for the successful operation of an exchange.

(2) The Exchange officer will be in executive control of the Exchange. He is responsible for its management, performance of duty and discipline of assistants and employees, and is the custodian of its property and funds. (par 18a AR 210-65).

(3) The Exchange officer will be financially liable for loss of exchange funds and property only where dishonesty, fraud, or gross negligence on the part of the Exchange officer is established. (par 18p, AR 210-65).

5. All previous instructions on this subject are rescinded.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas C. Kronberg
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Major, Air Corps
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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23 February 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitions for Spring Athletic Equipment.

TO : See Distribution.

1. In order to obtain sufficient athletic equipment for the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) spring sports program, it is desired that the following information and forms be submitted to this Headquarters not later than 10 March 1945.

a. QM Form 400 should be submitted in quadruplicate on softball and baseball equipment, including sets of uniforms required for both sports.

(1) It is necessary that each column on the Form 400 be filled in with complete figures.

b. A cover sheet will be attached to the requisition with the following information for each sport:

- (1) Troop strength on which requisition is based.
- (2) Number of leagues.
- (3) Number of organized teams.
- (4) Type and number of athletic facilities.
- (5) Average number of games to be played daily.

c. A copy of each requisition from subordinate units will be forwarded in addition to the command consolidation.

2. Requisitions for athletic and recreational equipment other than that listed in paragraph 1 a, will include the information desired in paragraph 1 b.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Lategan
NEIL M. LATEGAN,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

23 February 1945

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SUBJECT: Post Exchange Conference.

TO : See Distribution.

The Post Exchange Officer appointed to serve your station or area may attend a conference on Post Exchange procedure to be held on Tuesday, 27 February 1945 at the Continental Advance Section Army Exchange Warehouse. Personnel able to attend this meeting will meet at Hq. COMAD TM Section at 1250 hours. Each Post Exchange Officer will be given a copy of ETOWSA SOP #25 and a two month supply of forms necessary for the operation of their Post Exchange. The method of opening and operating a Post Exchange will be explained and demonstrated to First Tactical Air Force Exchange Officers by a field representative from Com Z. Unit Post Exchange Officers who are unable, or do not wish to attend this meeting may secure this information by contacting their local Army Exchange representative.

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

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THOMAS G. KRONBERG
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

LPO 639, U.S. Army,
AAF Station 379
27 February 1945.

353.8
SUBJECT: Policy and Program for Athletics.

TO : *

Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), LPO 374,
U.S. Army.

In order to coordinate and standardize the athletic program in the major commands of US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, the following policy and program is submitted:

POLICY: The athletic policy to encourage total participation of all personnel in sports; professional teams or all star teams are not encouraged, inasmuch as such policy tends to have the majority of personnel as onlookers, and not as active participants. To encourage mass participation in competitive sports, league on each base down to squadron or section echelon are encouraged. At the end of the post league season, a station team should be selected to represent the post in the various elimination tournaments to determine the division, group and command championship. The command champion will automatically become eligible to represent the command in the US Strategic Air Forces in Europe or Air Technical Command in Europe tournament provided team is eligible to compete in amateur tournaments as defined in AR 850-120.

TOURNAMENTS: It is suggested that the various major commands of US Strategic Air Forces in Europe arrange their league and elimination tournaments in such a manner as to have their championship teams selected and ready to take part in the US Strategic Air Forces in Europe tournaments on the following approximate dates:

- (1) A US Strategic Air Forces in Europe Basketball tournament will be held at Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, beginning 3 April through 6 April 1945. Suitable awards will be given.
- (2) On or about 25 May 1945, a US Strategic Air Forces in Europe Boxing tournament will be held. Teams from all major commands will be entered.
- (3) On or about 5 June 1945, a US Strategic Air Forces in Europe Track and Field meet will be held.
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POST WAR: Immediately upon the cessation of hostilities, an expanded athletic program will be put into operation in accordance with S.O.P. #27, ETOUSA and directives of this Headquarters.

(Phase I - The Station) Athletic officers should make a survey of their station with the following information needed:

a. FACILITIES: What do I have on the station? What can I improvise? What buildings will be available for the use of the athletic programs that could not be used during the war?

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c. GROUNDS: Have I utilized every available plot of ground to its fullest extent? Can I use grounds that were used for other purposes during hostilities?

d. PERSONNEL: Can I get personnel from other sections whose work is tapering off or stopped? Do I know the number of available competent referees, umpires and coaches on the station that could materially assist in the program? Have I brought to the attention of the Post Commander the various directives covering additional personnel for the Post War Athletic Program?

POST WAR (Phase II - The Command)

In addition to the Commands Athletic Officer's regular duties he should facilitate or carry into effect the following:

a. Assist the station athletic officers in carrying out their work as outlined in Phase One - The Station Athletic Officer.

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c. Conduct a command elimination tournament in all major sports in order to have championship teams to compete in US Strategic Air Forces in Europe and theater tournaments.

d. In as many cases as are practical place the championship teams on tour in order that the commands may see competitive sports of championship calibre.

e. Maintain a list of competent referees, umpires, and judges for all tournaments.

f. Keep Public Relations Officer, the Stars and Stripes and other medium of news informed of athletic news of importance. Send pictures and stories to Athletic Officer, Special and Information Services, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and every effort will be made to have them published.

g. Conduct athletic officers' conference to acquaint all athletic officers of commands' plans, policies and procedure.

By command of Lieutenant General SPANTZ:

/s/ J.B. Gordon,
/t/ J.B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

353.8 1st Ind. X-B-1
HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, U.S. Army,
14 March 1945.

TO: Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing.
Commanding Officer, 83rd Service Group.
Commanding Officer, 310th Service Group.
Commanding Officer, 312th Service Group.
Commanding Officer, 319th Service Group.
Commanding Officer, 19th Air Depot Group.
Commanding Officer, 86th Air Depot Group.
Commanding Officer, 213th AAA Group.
Commanding Officer, 459th Signal Hvy. Construction Bn.
Commanding Officer, 1926th Ordnance Ammunition Co. (Lvn)
Commanding Officer, Hq. Sq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

For your information and guidance.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
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APO 633, U.S. Army,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

311.1

27 February 1945

SUBJECT: Mail for Personnel Returning to the US.

TO : OG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
US Army.

1. It has been brought to the attention of this Headquarters, that mail for personnel returning to the US is being forwarded to units of the 79th Reinforcement Depot, APO 652, US Army. Mail for personnel returning to the US will NOT be forwarded to Reinforcement Depots but will be handled in accordance with PFR 8, Sec II, Cir 12, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, 30 Jan 1945, which is quoted as follows:

"Personnel Returned to US. a. Personnel returning to US as individuals (except sick or wounded and those returning for short periods only) will be required by their unit commanders to furnish their unit mail clerk with US forwarding addresses, other than the port of debarkation or reception station through which they are returning. Forwarding addresses for personnel who are availing themselves of leave of absence or furlough immediately upon their arrival in the US or who are returning for separation will be limited to home or other non-military addresses.

(1) Unit mail clerks will indorse all mail for such personnel received after their departure, "Returning to the United States", followed by the address furnished.

(2) If for any reason a forwarding address has not been furnished as required, such mail will be indorsed by the unit mail clerk "Returning to the United States--left no forwarding address".

b. Mail for personnel returning to the US for short periods only, received after their departure, will be held pending their return, unless request for forwarding is made by the addressee. When such a request is made a non-military address will be furnished."

2. The above instructions will be brought to the attention of all unit mail clerks and all personnel returning to the United States.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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28 February 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Paulins.

TO : See Distribution.

1. A report showing the following information will be submitted to this headquarters not later than 10 March 1945:

- a. Total number of paulins, small, on hand, in use.
- b. Total number of paulins, small, on hand, not in use.
- c. Total number of paulins, large, on hand, in use.
- d. Total number of paulins, large, on hand, not in use.
- e. Number of each size required for remainder of 1945, including maintenance factor.

2. All units of XII Tactical Air Command will submit reports to that headquarters, which will consolidate reports and show the above information for each unit. Each Service Group and Air Depot Group will consolidate reports of units within the group. Separate units and units at this headquarters will submit reports direct.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG
Major, Air Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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28 February 1945

SUBJECT: Notes for Aircraft Engineering Officers.

TO : See Distribution.

There is contained herein general information for Engineering Officers of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov):

a. Service group and service squadron engineering officers should clearly realize that their engineering sections have as their primary function the responsibility of performing maintenance to the end of making available the maximum number of tactical aircraft in operational condition. Non-operational aircraft, except in isolated instances, will have second priority.

b. Engineering personnel must have a thorough understanding of the maintenance policies of this Air Force. All memorandums pertaining to maintenance should be reviewed frequently, and the service group engineering officers should serve the service squadron personnel by questioning to determine that the maintenance policies are understood by all concerned. It should be always borne in mind that as tactical and maintenance conditions change, the maintenance policies will likewise have to be revised. Service group and service squadron engineering officers should continually make recommendations to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Headquarters for such policy changes.

c. Work loads in engineering sections should be under constant surveillance by service squadron engineering officers to permit logical shifting of available personnel to work on those airplanes that can be placed in operational condition at the earliest date.

d. Service group engineering officers should act in an advisory capacity over service squadron engineering officers. In this manner, each service squadron will benefit by the experience of another service squadron through the service group engineering officer.

e. Service squadron engineering officers should be conversant at all times with the tactical group engineering officer's problems and should establish daily or even hourly liaison with the tactical group engineering officer to discuss each others work loads and problems. Unsatisfactory Reports initiated by the tactical group is one of the best means of keeping in touch with the problems of the tactical group by the service squadron engineering officers.

f. The service group engineering officer should at all times be conversant with each service squadron's problems and to make frequent checks to determine that the service squadron is rendering maximum service to the tactical group.

g. The service squadron engineering officers should establish, in cooperation with tactical group engineering officer, a suitable working arrangement whereby the tactical group inspector may inspect the completed airplane or part

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at the service squadron at approximately the same time the service squadron inspector makes his inspection. Considerable saving in time and effort will result and a better mutual understanding between the tactical and service groups will prevail.

h. Service squadron engineering officers should also encourage personal visits by the tactical group pilots to their area to discuss and work out the minor changes that the pilots may desire to satisfy their personal desires. In this manner, the pilots themselves become better acquainted with their airplane and have a better understanding of problems of a service squadron.

i. Service squadron engineering officers should personally supervise compliance with TMI's, TMI's and TO's to ascertain modifications on the first airplanes or part is being properly performed.

j. Frequent reference should be made by engineering section personnel to TO 00-65-17 and subsequent revisions, as in many instances it may contain a solution to a particularly troublesome problem. Service group and service squadron engineering officers should assure that all engineering section personnel are thoroughly familiar with this document.

k. Proper use of available trained personnel for maintenance in the service squadron is of utmost importance. Studies of work loads should be made continuously by both the service group and service squadron engineering officers to assure the maximum efficient effort is being made by all trained personnel of the service squadron toward the end of making available the maximum number of tactical aircraft in operational conditions. Improper use of trained mechanics for guard duty, special details, etc., should be kept at a minimum or avoided entirely. Requirements for extra personnel to perform guard duty, special details, etc., should be made known by the service squadron to the service group and thence to higher headquarters in those cases where maintenance work loads in a service squadron does not permit use of trained mechanics for such duties.

l. The service group engineering officer should instigate transferring of personnel from one service squadron to another to relieve excessive work loads in a particular service squadron. Likewise, interchange of parts required by service squadrons should be made where deemed necessary by the service group engineering officer. In other words, it is the basic responsibility of the service group engineering officer to keep the engineering section of all service squadrons working at the same efficiency.

m. Service group engineering officers should forward to the First Tactical Air Force Headquarters suggestions for new type equipment to be furnished service squadrons in order that the service squadrons may perform their maintenance work more effectively.

n. Service group engineering officers should realize that the table of organization and table of equipment in the engineering sections of the service squadrons may be changed upon approval by Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The service group engineering officer should make recommendations to

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28 Feb 45 (cont'd).

Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for reorganization deemed necessary
in the service squadron to provide for proper type and classification of personnel
to perform maintenance.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg

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Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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1 March 1945

SUBJECT: Letters of Condolence.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

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1. The letter of condolence is the most difficult phase of casualty reporting. It is an instrument intended to inform the next of kin, within the limitations of security regulations, the circumstances under which a man has become a casualty. In effect, it is the first official record of service the next of kin receives. It is a memento which may be preserved and cherished as documentary evidence of the service rendered by a loved one. It is also the report of the United States Army Air Forces on meritorious service performed. Everything said therein will be accepted as official information. For all of these reasons, the letter of condolence must be prepared with extreme care.

2. The letter of condolence should stress the service of the subject person as well as sympathy for his loss. A letter from a stranger, received long after the initial notification of death, is little consolation to the next of kin, but it can help that person feel pride in the fact that the deceased had served honorably and well, had been a credit to his country, and had not died in vain. This type of information coming from the man's organization will usually mean more to the recipient than the routine, formally-phrased War Department notification.

3. Letters of condolence are not required in the case of "Missing", and "Missing in Action" personnel. However, when written, they are more difficult to compose and greater care must be exercised in their preparation than in the cases of personnel known to be deceased. A letter suggesting an optimistic outcome is as unjust as one with a decidedly pessimistic tone. Since all such correspondence is considered by the receiver to be official information, the possible increased sorrow when a confirmed report of death is received following an optimistic letter from the man's unit is as tragic as the needless sorrow resulting from the receipt of a morose letter. Were it reasonably definite that the casualty involved was fatal, the status would not be "Missing" but "Dead". The "Missing in Action" category of casualty indicates that the subject's status is not known officially. To suggest that he is a prisoner is as much a violation of casualty regulations and a breach of good judgement, as is the suggestion that a "Missing" person is probably dead. Such letters, if written, should be confined to mild expressions of sympathy, information pertaining to the disposition of personal effects, assurance that everything possible is being done to secure additional information as to his status and that his next of kin will be notified immediately when his status has been established.

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4. Every letter of condolence must contain certain official information. The full name, rank, serial number, date and type of casualty, (and, in cases of death, the religious denomination of the officiating chaplain, and the general location of burial, if known), must be carefully verified and included. This data must coincide exactly with the information included on the "Battle Casualty Report", previously transmitted, to preclude the possibility of misconstruing the significance of a minor error into unfounded optimism which invariably results in queries addressed to the War Department. The body of the letter can, and should, be written in a personal manner which will indicate the fellowship, regard and respect in which the subject was held by his comrades.

5. The facts that the next of kin seek are not gory details, but "little things" which will be indelibly associated with his memory. Following are extracts from letters of condolence received at this headquarters which illustrate more clearly just what is included in the "little things".

a. "He was buried at 10:00 A.M., on the seventh of February 1945, at a US Military Cemetery in the Lorraine District of France, with full military honors. Services were conducted by a Protestant Chaplain, Major Don---. Due to existing regulations, I am unable to furnish you with more information concerning the location of the final resting place, but I am certain that following the war this information will be sent to you. The cemetery may be far from home, but it is a part of the United States, because of the Americans resting there."

b. "Be assured that everything possible is being done to send you his keep-sakes and other personal items as well as information concerning your husband's insurance and allotments."

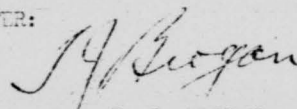
c. "Words at such a time seem vain things to express our feeling, but we want you to know that all of us who knew Don and had the privilege of serving with him, mourn him as a fine leader, a true gentleman, and a real friend."

d. "He was without a doubt a credit to his God, to his country, and above all to the home in which he was reared."

e. "His qualities as a leader were recognized when the Commanding Officer appointed him to take complete charge of the living quarters and mess for all of the flying personnel. While in this position he certainly proved worthy of the trust and confidence placed in him."

f. "This letter, typewritten as it is and sent through Army channels, may sound rather cold and formal, but it is the only means we have of giving you the details for which you undoubtedly long."

By command of Major General ELSTER:



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HEADQUARTERS
AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General
APO 633

AAF-379
2 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Channels for Requisitions for Quartermaster Items.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Pending the publication of revised ATSC Regulation 65-10, dated 20 November 1944, the following procedure will be followed by organizations under the administrative control of U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe in the United Kingdom and on the Continent in requisitioning Quartermaster equipment. Units in Army Areas will follow procedure prescribed by Army Commanders or Army Quartermasters.

a. AUTHORIZED NON-CONTROLLED ITEMS:--Requisitions for authorized non-controlled Quartermaster supplies will be submitted in triplicate to the Quartermaster Depot to which the unit is assigned for supply. These requisitions will be submitted at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Section or Base Section Commander or Quartermaster.

b. AUTHORIZED CONTROLLED ITEMS:--Requisitions for items which are authorized by appropriate tables or lists but which are controlled by the Office of the Chief Quartermaster because of short supply or because of restricted use, will be submitted in quintuplicate to the Quartermaster of the Section or Base Section in which the requisitioning unit is located or to an agency designated by such Section or Base Section.

c. EQUIPMENT IN EXCESS OF AUTHORIZED ALLOWANCES:

(1) When it is absolutely essential for an organization to have Quartermaster equipment which is not authorized by appropriate T/BA, T/E, T/O & E, or S/OE to perform its assigned mission, a letter will be forwarded through command channels to the Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, APO 633, U.S. Army, containing the following information:

- (a) Correct nomenclature and quantity of required item.
- (b) The proper designation of the organization requiring the equipment including the number and date of the T/O & E under which same is organized.
- (c) Quantity of requested item on hand and number of using troops involved if pertinent.
- (d) A detailed statement as to the necessity for the equipment.
- (e) The effort made to improvise or redistribute equipment to perform the assigned duty.

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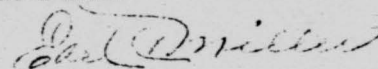
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(2) On receipt of the letter described above, the highest echelon of the command to which the unit requiring unauthorized equipment is assigned will investigate the necessity for such equipment and if the request is found to be justified, overall requirements and any other information which may be pertinent, including recommendations for changes in existing allowances, will be included in the indorsement transmitting the request to the Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command in Europe who will review such requests and if found justified will forward same to the Commanding General, Communications Zone.

(3) If the request for unauthorized equipment is approved by the Commanding General, Communications Zone, such approval will be returned through command channels to the requisitioning unit and will be the basis for a requisition for such equipment. Requisitions will then be submitted to the appropriate Quartermaster Depot with a copy of the approval of the Communications Zone Commander attached.

(4) Requisitions for unauthorized equipment will not accompany the above described command channel letter but will be submitted only after approval by the Communications Zone Commander directly to the depot for supply.

By command of Brigadier General KANE:



EARL C. MILLER,
Captain, AGD,
Asst Adj General.

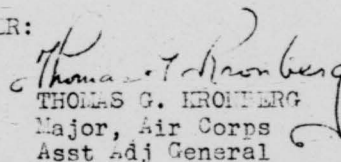
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TO: See Distribution.

For your information and compliance.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:



THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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4 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Procedure for Addressing "Multiple Address" and "Book" Messages.

TO : All Staff Sections.

1. Originators of messages destined to two (2) or more addressees will designate their messages to be either "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" or "BOOK." These phrases will be capitalized and underlined.

a. A "Multiple Address" message is one to be sent to a number of addressees, all of whom need to know who the others are, for the purpose of coordination.

b. A "Book" message is one to be sent to a number of addressees, none of whom needs to know who the others are.

2. Each action and/or information addressee in each message will be listed one below the other and numbered consecutively, the number being placed before the designation of each addressee.

3. All addressees will have the precedence desired by the originator, shown opposite each addressee. The lowest precedence which will insure delivery in time should be used.

4. On attached inclosures are examples, in message form, of how addressees should appear for both a "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" and "BOOK" message. The precedence for each addressee will be shown as indicated.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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T. J. BROGAN *h m m*
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APC 887
5 March 1945

AG 250.1 OpGA

SUBJECT: Looting and Pillaging of Church Property.

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. Instances of looting and pillaging of the furnishings and contents of civilian churches such as vestment presses, altar tabernacles, sacristy safes, etc., by United States Army units, have been reported to this headquarter

2. Looting and pillaging are denounced in FM 27-10, "Rules of Land Warfare", (Paragraphs 318, 329, and 330), and constitute a violation of the Articles of War. In the case of churches and religious institutions, such acts are particularly reprehensible because of the added element of sacrilege.

3. Prompt and vigorous corrective measures, where indicated, will be instituted by commanders of all echelons, and offenders will be made the subject of appropriate disciplinary action.

4. The provisions of this communication will be brought to the attention of all personnel under your command.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General.

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US ARMY, 9 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, ACD,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374
Public Relations Office

6 March 1945

SUBJECT: Home-town Stories

TO : Public Relations Officers, All Units First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 374, U. S. Army

1. A survey of the home-town stories which have reached this headquarters during January and February shows a generally fair level of quality. However, some of them show defect, often very minor ones, which almost completely defeat the purpose of the stories. If the following instructions are adhered to by Public Relations Officers of subordinate units, the handling of home-town stories will be greatly facilitated.

a. NEATNESS: Stories must be neatly and accurately typed. Pen and pencil corrections, strikeovers, smudges, etc., produce a very undesirable impression. We do not wish to make a flat prohibition of neatly minor corrections in ink, but if there are more than one or two corrections to be made, or if the correction goes beyond a change of spelling or a typing error, retype the story.

b. FORM: The following heading should be used on all stories and captions:

HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
Public Relations Office

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

TO: Bronx Home News
New York, N. Y.

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A FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE FIGHTER-BOMBER GROUP, FRANCE: (OR A MEDIUM-BOMBER GROUP, OR A SERVICE GROUP, as the case may be.)

At least 2½ inches should be left as indicated for the paper to write its headline.

c. Names of organizations below command level should not appear anywhere on a press release, unless they have been released by SHAEP. This is a theater policy of long standing and there can be no exceptions to it. Efforts are now being made to obtain the release of all tactical units down to groups. Meanwhile, groups may be identified by the names of their commanding officers or by nick-names.

d. Use "First Tactical Air Force" in the body of each story. It should be spelled out the first time it is used, but may be abbreviated to "First TACAF" subsequently.

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f. No current date should appear anywhere on a press release. Dates should be used very sparingly because of the length of time it takes home-town mailers to reach editors in the States.

g. Phrases such as "close support", "ground support", etc., which indicate that tactical air forces have a secondary role are contrary to War Department policy and should not be used. Use "attacks coordinated with ground forces" or a similar phrase.

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For the Director, PR Division:

JAMES E. DOYLE
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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6 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Absence Without Leave.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

The following message from Headquarters, European Theater of Operations US Army, is quoted for your information and guidance:

"REFERENCE IS MADE TO PAR 5B AFM USA CIR 120, DATED 13 DEC 1944, 'ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE,' IN REGARD TO UNITS FORWARD OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ZONE. WHEREVER SUCH PAR 5B REQUIRES THAT ORIGINAL COPY OF WD AGO FORMS 45 AND 46 BE DISPATCHED TO THE ADVANCE SECTION COMMANDER IT WILL BE CONSTRUED TO MEAN THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ADVANCE SECTION APO 113 WHERE TWELFTH ARMY GROUP AREA IS INVOLVED AND COMMANDING GENERAL, COMAD, APO 667 WHERE SIXTH ARMY GROUP AREA IS INVOLVED. THESE FORMS WILL NOT BE SENT DIRECT TO THIS HEADQUARTERS."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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6 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Visits to Southern Ireland.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

The following message received from Headquarters, European T of Opns US
Army, is quoted for your information and compliance:

"ADVISE ALL CONCERNED THAT PERSONNEL WHO REPORT TO THE CG UK BASE,
COMMUNICATIONS ZONE, SO AS TO COMPLETE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAVEL TO
SOUTHERN IRELAND, WHETHER ON A DUTY OR LEAVE OR FURLOUGH STATUS,
MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CERTIFICATE FROM THE LOCAL COMMANDER
CONCERNED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
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7 March 1945

SUBJECT: Counter-Intelligence Personnel

TO : See Distribution

1. Request this headquarters be furnished with a list of all commissioned and non-commissioned personnel presently assigned to counter-intelligence work your headquarters and subordinate units together with telephone code name and telephone extension number.

2. Request further that any change in personnel, telephone code name, or extension number be reported immediately.

3. Reply will be classified "Confidential", and addressed, Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2, Attention: Counter-Intelligence Officer, this headquarters.

By command of Major General WEESNER:

Thomas G. Weesner
THOMAS G. WEESNER
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
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AREA REGULATIONS

Letter, this headquarters, 10 January 1945, file and subject as above, is amended as indicated:

a. Par. 4c is amended to read:

"c. Curfew in the Third Army area is 2200 to 0600 hours.

(1) Curfew does not apply to field officers. All military personnel below the grade of field officer will be in their billets prior to curfew hours unless on bona fide business.

(2) Attendance at Special Service films or other entertainment will not justify presence on the streets or outside billets after curfew.

(3) Requests for extension of curfew for special occasions and for the holding of parties or dances will be submitted in writing to the Chief of Staff, Third U.S. Army through the Provost Marshal, Third U.S. Army."

b. Par. 4d is amended to read:

"d. Pass policy:

(1) Third Army Area except the City of Luxembourg:

(a) TPM Form No. 3 (Revised) is the only form for passes to be used in this area.

(b) All passes will expire at, or prior to, curfew. No overnight or twenty-four (24) hour passes will be issued.

(c) Individual passes will be issued each time a man goes on pass. Class "B" passes will not be recognized.

(2) The following additional restriction is applicable in the City of Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg:

(a) Passes will not be made effective earlier than 1200 hours and will expire not later than 1800 hours of the same day."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
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Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APC 887
8 March 1945.

AG 123.7 OpGA

SUBJECT: Transmission of Funds by Military Personnel.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. The War Department has authorized transmission of funds by military personnel in this theater to residents of liberated Italy and Sicily.

2. Persons desiring to make such transmissions will consult their local finance officer for instructions.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US ARMY, 13 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Lieutenant General SPARTZ:

J. E. GORDON
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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9 March 1945

SUBJECT: Manpower.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Paragraph 2, letter, this headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 23 January 1945, is amended to include the following:

"g. Volunteers who have not passed their 30th birthday, who meet the physical and other requirements, are acceptable and may be applied against withdrawal quotas."

2. The minimum visual standards set forth in paragraph 1b of inclosure 2, "Detailed Physical Standards" to the above cited letters, are revoked and those indicated below substituted:

"1. b. Eyes -

(1) Binocular vision (both eyes open) not less than 20/40 without glasses, provided the vision in the more defective eye is not less than 20/200 without glasses and provided the defective vision is not due to active or progressive organic disease. The corrected binocular vision must not be less than 20/30.

(2) Soldier with a long standing uncorrected vision in the more defective eye of less than 20/200 (or uni-lateral anophthalmos) and who have an uncorrected vision in the opposite eye of 20/30 or better are eligible candidates."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

NEIL M. MATCOCK
Lt Col, AGD,
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By command of Major General WELSHER:

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

9 March 1945.

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SUBJECT: Powers of Allied Indigenous Authorities Exercising Control over
Military Travel in Northwest Europe.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The police and security authorities of liberated countries in Northwest Europe are authorized to stop and verify the identity of all personnel of the Allied Expeditionary Force travelling in such countries, except personnel travelling in formed bodies of troops or in military convoys.

2. Personnel of US Strategic Air Forces in Europe organizations will cooperate with the Allied Authorities in this respect and will produce proper identification upon demand.

3. It is desired that the provisions of this letter be brought to the attention of all personnel of your command.

By command of Lieutenant General SPA.TZ:

Harris F. Scherer
HARRIS F. SCHERER,
Colonel, AGD.,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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322.

9 March 1945

SUBJECT: Manpower.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Paragraph 2, letter, this headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 23 January 1945, is amended to include the following:

"g. Volunteers who have not passed their 36th birthday, who meet the physical and other requirements, are acceptable and may be applied against withdrawal quotas."

2. The minimum visual standards set forth in paragraph 1b of inclosure 2, "Detailed Physical Standards" to the above cited letters, are revoked and those indicated below substituted:

"1. b. Eyes -

(1) Binocular vision (both eyes open) not less than 20/40 without glasses, provided the vision in the more defective eye is not less than 20/200 without glasses and provided the defective vision is not due to active or progressive organic disease. The corrected binocular vision must not be less than 20/30.

(2) Soldier with a long standing uncorrected vision in the more defective eye of less than 20/200 (or uni-lateral anophthalmos) and who have an uncorrected vision in the opposite eye of 20/30 or better are eligible candidates."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

12 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Congratulatory Messages.

TO : See Distribution.

1. The following messages received by the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Forces, will be transmitted to all ranks:

a. From the Secretary of the United States Navy:

"For General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Allied Commander, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force. The United States Navy joins the nation in admiration for the feats of the Armies under your Command and particularly sends its congratulations to the 1st Army on its historic crossing of the Rhine.

Regards and all personal good wishes. James Forrestal".

b. From Speaker Rayburn of the United States House of Representatives:

"At the request of the House of Representatives unanimously expressed, I send to you, the Officers and Men of all Services under your command, our congratulations and thanks for the magnificent victories recently achieved on the Western Front."

By command of Lieutenant General SPANTZ:

Harris F. Scherer
HARRIS F. SCHERER,
Colonel AGD.,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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12 March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

It is desired that the following messages addressed to the Supreme Commander be brought to the attention of all personnel of your command:

"THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES

NAVY:

"FOR GENERAL OF THE ARMY DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, SUPREME ALLIED
COMMANDER, SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.
THE UNITED STATES NAVY JOINS THE NATION IN ADMIRATION FOR THE
FEATS OF THE ARMIES UNDER YOUR COMMAND AND PARTICULARLY SENDS
ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST ARMY ON ITS HISTORIC CROSSING
OF THE RHINE."

"THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM SPEAKER RAYBURN OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

"AT THE REQUEST OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UNANIMOUSLY EXPRESSED,
I SEND TO YOU, THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF ALL SERVICES UNDER YOUR COMMAND,
OUR CONGRATULATIONS AND THIBETS FOR THE MAGNIFICENT VICTORIES RECENTLY
ACHIEVED ON THE WESTERN FRONT."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Matzger

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Lt Col, AGC
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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12 March 1945

SUBJECT: Awards of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : CG's & CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Information is desired at this headquarters regarding awards of the Bronze Star Medal which have been made to personnel of each unit during the past six months. Data will be entered in Tables I and II of this letter.

2. Entries for each month in Table I should also include awards made to personnel who were members of, and who have since departed from the organization.

3. Entries in Table II (on reverse) should indicate briefly the type of service for which award was received, such as "Line Chief, P-47 Type aircraft", "Personnel Clerk", "Linesman, open wire".

4. It is requested that the appropriate information be forwarded by indorsement so as to reach this headquarters not later than 25 March 1945.

Table I: Number of Bronze Star Awards Received

	S	O	N	D	J	F	Total	Avg No.	Auth	Tot %	% of
	E	C	O	E	A	E	Pers	Awarded	Pers	Pers	Pers
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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Matzger
NEIL M. MATZGER
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Table II: Types of Service for which Bronze Star awards were received.

	NAME	RANK	BRANCH	SERVICE FOR WHICH AWARDED
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OCT				
NOV				
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
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13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Requisition of Special Service Equipment for May-June.

TO : See Distribution.

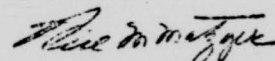
1. It is requested that a total requisition for all Special Service supplies, less athletic equipment, for the period of May and June be submitted through proper channels to reach this headquarters not later than 1 April.

2. Requisitions should be based on total troop strength.

3. In view of the shortage of supplies careful consideration of actual needs is requested.

4. QMC Form 400 should be used and all columns filled in.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:



NEIL M. MATZGER,
Lt. Col., AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
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13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Censorship Training

TO : See Distribution

1. Re-indoctrination lectures on censorship by specialists from the Theater Censor's Office will be arranged through this headquarters upon requests to be consolidated and forwarded not later than 1 April 1945.

2. Requests should be addressed attention of AC of S, A-2, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Krouberg
THOMAS G. KROIBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ORDNANCE OFFICER
APO 871

13 April 1944.

ORDNANCE TECHNICAL)
BULLETIN NUMBER 29)

OIL CHANGE PERIOD FOR WHEELED VEHICLES

1. As a result of various tests it has been found that the heavy duty motor oil being used by the U.S. Forces, classification 2-104B, will satisfactorily lubricate engines for mileages considerably longer than the present recommended oil change period.

2. A 2,000 mile oil change is not only safe, but highly conservative. Therefore, the following guide will govern oil changes for wheeled vehicles using liquid cooled engines:

- a. New vehicles - the first drain period will be 500 miles. This assures the removal from the crankcase of all Foreign matter left in the engine after manufacture before it can detrimentally affect engine parts.
- b. Vehicles driven over 500 miles - the oil change will be on a 2000 mile basis.

For the Chief Ordnance Officer:

H. G. DAVISSON,
Lt. Col., Ord. Dept.,
Executive Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Manpower - Reports

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Reference is made to letter this Headquarters, File 322, dated 23 January 1945, Subject: Manpower, and Inclosures. In order to simplify the reports required thereunder and to clarify the requirements the following instructions are given:

a. An analysis of White Enlisted Men in Non-Combat Units is required as of the 15th and last day of each month, to reach this Headquarters not later than the 18th and 3rd day of the month. No report is required of units made up of colored Enlisted Men only. "Non-Combat Units" include all Service Type Organizations and Service Type Detachments, Sections, etc. of Combat Units, such as Ground Crews and administrative personnel of Tactical Groups.

b. The report will be submitted by each organization to the Command or unit exercising administrative control over it. The following units will submit to this Headquarters a consolidated report to include all units assigned or attached for administration:

XII Tactical Air Command
42nd Bombardment Wing
86th Air Depot Group
19th Air Depot Group
312th Service Group
310th Service Group
83rd Service Group
319th Service Group
213th A.A.A. Group

Note: When changes in chain of command occur necessitating changes in submission, the units concerned will be notified.

c. Separate units not assigned or attached to any of the above Headquarters will submit reports direct to Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) or will, by prior arrangement, submit reports to one of the above Headquarters, to be included in its consolidation, if more convenient.

d. Units submitting a consolidated report will list on the reverse side of the report, all units included in the consolidation.

e. Detachments will be reported by parent organizations.

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2. The report will be submitted on Form C-5, 1st TAC AF
(Revised), sample attached and the following information is required:

- Line 1. Total White Enlisted Men assigned to reporting unit
(Must agree with assigned personnel shown on
Morning Report of the same date.)
- Line 1A. Total Enlisted Men in First Three Grades. In the
event an Enlisted Man in this category volunteers
for conversion training and is made eligible by his
Commanding Officer, he will not be reported on this
line but on Line 6.
- Line 2. Number of Enlisted Men who have passed their 31st
birthday.
- Line 3. Number of Enlisted Men who have been found permanent-
ly physically disqualified by standards set forth
in "Detailed Physical Standards", Incl 2, letter
this Headquarters, dated 23 January 1945. Former
Ground Force Combat Personnel received as replace-
ments will be shown in this category automatically.
- Line 4. Number of Enlisted Men, otherwise qualified but, who
are classified under SSNs excepted in Incl 3 of
letter this Headquarters, dated 23 January 1945,
above referred to. Regular Army Personnel will be
included in the total shown on this line.
- Line 5. Number of Enlisted Men under 31 years of age tem-
porarily physically disqualified for conversion
training. Include in this total also Enlisted Men
who are in confinement awaiting trial by court
martial and Enlisted Men who are otherwise qualified
but who are on DS and whose physical qualifications
have not been determined. When men are on indef-
inite or extended DS, the unit to which they are
assigned will request a physical examination and
report by the unit to which they are attached, after
which they will be included in the proper category
on the home unit's report.

(The number of Enlisted Men eligible for transfer
to conversion training will be shown on the follow-
ing lines, broken down by grades:

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Line 6. Grades 1, 2, and 3. (volunteers)
Line 7. Grade 4
Line 8. Grade 5
Line 9. Grade 6
Line 10. Grade 7
Line 11. Total Eligible

Line 12. Cumulative total of Enlisted Men re-assigned to
Ground Force Reinforcement Command for conversion
training since 1 January 1945.

3. This report must balance. Lines 6 through 10 must equal
line 11 and lines 1A through 5, plus line 11 must equal line 1. Each
man will be included in only one category. All men falling within 1
the category shown on line 1A should first be determined and the total
number entered, and eliminated from the total men under examination,
regardless of other qualifications. Then the total men over 31 years
of age of the remaining number under consideration should be deter-
mined and eliminated by entering on line 2. The men with excepted
SSNs should next be determined and entered on line 4. After the ex-
ceptions have been determined and eliminated the remaining men will be
given required physical examinations and will be reported in the
applicable categories on lines 3, 5, or 6 through 10.

4. Time is the essence of this report. The units making con-
solidations will arrange to obtain the information from reporting
units in ample time to consolidate and forward to this Headquarters
to reach here not later than the afternoon of 18th and 3rd day of the
month. If necessary consolidating units may telephone the report to
this Headquarters (Statistical Control, Ext. 36), later forwarding a
written confirmation. If the telephone is utilized the Statistical
Control Code will be employed and the report given by line number only

5. Rosters of eligible personnel and copies of Morning Reports
are no longer required.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

1 Incl: 1st TACAF (P) Form C-5

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ANALYSIS OF WHITE ENLISTED MEN

IN NON-COMBAT UNITS

(Sample)

Reporting Unit _____

Date _____

<u>Col A</u>	<u>Col B</u>	<u>Col C</u>
<u>Line</u>	<u>Type Personnel</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	Total White Enlisted Men	000
1A	Grades 1, 2, and 3 (Excepted)	00
2	Number of EM over 31 years of age	00
3	Number Permanently Physically Disqualified	00
4	Excepted SSNs	00
5	Temporarily Physically Disqualified	00
	Eligible for Conversion by Grade:	
6	Grades 1, 2, and 3	0
7	Grade 4	00
8	Grade 5	00
9	Grade 6	00
10	Grade 7	00
11	Total Eligible	000
12	Cumulative Total Reassigned to Ground Forces since 1 January 1945.	00

Form - 1st TACAF (P), C-5 (Revised, 11 March 1945)

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Ground Force Training Center.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Attention is invited to Circular 13, Headquarters, European T of Opns, USA, dated 31 January 1945, and letter, this headquarters, file and subject same as above, dated 9 February 1945.

2. Inasmuch as the Theater Commander has specifically directed that all current and future quotas be met for Infantry Officer Candidate School Training, this program will be afforded full and enthusiastic publicity to all warrant officer and enlisted personnel of this command.

3. However, applications submitted by combat crew personnel and by personnel trained in Army Air Force technical specialties for whom no replacements are available will not be approved except in rare and unusual instances where, within the discretion of the selecting authority, it is deemed that the best interests of the service warrant such approval.

4. Applications will be forwarded through command channels to the selecting authorities listed in paragraph 3 of letter, this headquarters, as cited in paragraph 1 above.

5. It is desired that the opportunity for attending Infantry Officer Candidate School in accordance with the published policy be offered to all individuals concerned.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Matzger

NEIL M. MATZGER
Lt Col, AGD,
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1st TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Area Regulations

TO : See Distribution.

1. Letter, this Headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 10 January 1945, and Change 1 thereto, is rescinded.

2. The following regulations governing the appearance and deportment of military personnel of this command are published for your information and compliance.

3. Uniform regulations:

a. The uniform for all personnel of the 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be as prescribed in AR 600-35, AR 600-37, and AR 600-40 with the following limitations.

- (1) Either the Jacket, combat, winter,
Jacket, field, wool, OD, (or dark shade)
Jacket, field, OD, (old style)
Jacket, field, M-1943 (new style)
Coat, service, wool, OD

may be worn as an outer garment. Trousers, wool, OD (or dark or "pink" for officers) will be worn therewith. All outer garments will be properly fastened. Sweaters will not be worn as an outer garment.

(2) The cap, garrison, is the only authorized headgear to be worn by enlisted personnel except the hat, HBT, which will be worn with the work uniform, HBT, and the helmet liner, which may be worn in inclement weather. The cap, wool, knit will not be worn except with the helmet or helmet liner.

(3) Mixed uniforms, i.e. combination of service and working uniforms, will not be worn at any time.

(4) When in Third Army area, the steel helmet and canvas leggings or combat boots will be worn. Arms, as issued, will be carried.

4. Traffic regulations:

a. The operation of motor vehicles will be as prescribed in letter, Hq. LTOUSA, file 451/2 PubGC, 24 January 1944, "Maintenance and Operation of Motor Vehicles". Where there is a contradiction, the regulations stated in this letter will govern.

b. Not more than one person, in addition to the driver, will ride in the front seat of any vehicle.

c. The driver of a government vehicle is prohibited from smoking while the vehicle is in motion.

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d. Speed limits:

In Vittel and Contrexeville (all vehicles)-----15 MPH
Within 10 miles of Vittel (vehicles less than 1½ ton)-----35 MPH
Elsewhere on the Continent:
Tanks, and trucks, 4 and 6 ton-----20 MPH
All vehicles in built-up areas (except as indicated
by posted signs or local conditions)-----25 MPH
Half-tracked vehicles and trucks, 1½ and 2½ ton-----30 MPH
Trucks, 1 and 2 ton-----35 MPH
Trucks, 1 ton and motorcycles-----40 MPH
Cars, sedan, light or medium-----55 MPH

e. Lights:

(1) Except during a "blackout", vehicles may use any of the following methods of lighting:

- (a) Low-beam, dim headlights.
- (b) Metal blackout shields.
- (c) Face of lens painted black with paint removed to allow for a crescent-shaped space two inches long and one-half inch high, with top of space below the center line of the lens.
- (d) Upper half of the lens painted black and the lower half painted blue.

(2) During a "blackout" all vehicles, except emergency vehicles, will pull to the extreme right hand side of the road and extinguish all lights.

f. Transporting civilians:

(1) Whenever the circumstances, whenever an officer, authorized to do so, approves the transporting of civilians, an official pass or endorsement in a form substantially as below, must be issued and placed in the possession of the driver of the government vehicle:

_____ is authorized to transport the
(Name and rank of driver)
following named civilians _____

in U.S. Government vehicle _____ U.S. No. _____
(type)
from _____ to _____ and return, on _____
(place) (place) (date)

at _____ hours. Civilians are being transported for official business and their presence is necessary for the accomplishment of the official business for which the trip is being made, or are being transported in connection with authorized recreational activities to and from a fixed assembly point under the supervision of a Special Service Officer or an officer designated therefore.

(Signature of Field Grade Officer)

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g. Vehicle will not be left unattended except in parking lots where entrances are controlled by guards. Distributor cap, rotor, or wires will not be removed with the object of temporarily immobilizing the vehicle.

h. Officers will not drive vehicles except in cases of extreme emergency or as described in letter mentioned above.

i. The senior individual (officer, warrant officer, or enlisted man) present in the vehicle is responsible for its proper operation and for observance that it is not driven in excess of the authorized speed limit.

5. Off limits:

- a. All brothels and houses of prostitution.
- b. Commercial establishments and bars posted with "Off Limits" signs.
- c. The town of Gy, Department of Haute-Saone, on Dijon-Gray-Vesoul highway.
- d. The city of Besancon, except for official business.
- e. All bars and cafes in Vittel between 2030 hours and 1200 hours and from 1400 hours to 1700 hours.
- f. All bars in the Seventh Army Area before 1400 hours and after 2000 hours.

6. Curfew:

- a. COMAD Area:
 - (1) From 2300 hours to 0600 hours.
 - (2) Unit commanders will insert on the reverse side of the Class "B" pass (see Annex A, LTOUS Cir. 20, es) 2300 hours instead of 0100 hours for personnel visiting COMAD Area.
- b. Seventh Army Area:
 - (1) From 2030 hours to 0600 hours.
 - (2) Units desiring to send groups into the Army Area for movies or entertainment necessitating troops remaining in or coming into town after 2030 hours will apply to the Special Services Officer, Seventh Army for permission to do so. Such groups will have a commissioned officer in charge.
- c. Third Army Area:
 - (1) From 2200 hours to 0600 hours.
 - (2) Curfew does not apply to field grade officers.
 - (3) Attendance at Special Service films or other entertainment will not justify presence on the streets or outside billets after curfew.
 - (4) Requests for extension of curfew for special occasions and for the holding of parties or dances will be submitted in writing to the Chief of Staff, Third U.S. Army through the Provost Marshal, Third U.S. Army.

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d. Sixth Army Group:

- (1) From 2400 hours to 0600 hours.
- (2) Class "B" passes are authorized in 6th Army Group Area. These passes will not authorize absence in excess of 12 hours.

7. Pass policy:

a. Third Army Area except the City of Luxembourg:

- (1) TFM Form No. 3 (Revised) is the only form for passes to be used in this area.
- (2) All passes will expire at, or prior to, curfew. No overnight or twenty-four hour passes will be issued.
- (3) Individual passes will be issued each time a man goes on pass. Class "B" passes will not be recognized.

b. The following additional restriction is applicable to the City of Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg:

- (1) Passes will not be made effective earlier than 1200 hours and will expire not later than 1800 hours on the same day.

8. Miscellaneous:

- a. Purchases of rationed commodities and foodstuffs and eating at civilian restaurants and cafes are prohibited.
- b. Misconduct towards the population of Alsace will not be tolerated under any conditions and will be severely dealt with. The excuse that a person was taken for a German because he spoke German will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- c. Summary Courts have been established under the supervision of the Provost Marshal, Third Army, to bring swift justice and immediate punishment to traffic violators and other offenders. These courts will be moved to critical points as required, and will try offenders on the spot. Offenses beyond the jurisdiction of the courts will be investigated and referred to the appropriate commander for necessary action.

9. It must be remembered that delinquencies by personnel of this command place an additional and unnecessary burden on the Military Police in the area concerned. It is desired that repeated offenders be made the subject of severe disciplinary action.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

G-INT-13

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14 March 1945

SUBJECT: Supplementary Instructions for Preparation of Efficiency Reports.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units, this Air Force.

1. Immediately upon receipt of WD AGO Forms 67, dated 27 September 1944, distribution of which will be made through normal command channels, action will be initiated to complete these Efficiency Reports in accordance with the provisions of AR 600-185, dated 15 November 1944 and Circular 11, European Theater of Operations, dated 29 January 1945.

2. The following supplementary instructions are disseminated for guidance and compliance by all concerned with the rendition of Efficiency Reports:

a. The section entitled "Theater or Command" of paragraph A will be completed with "European T of Ops". Only abbreviations listed in AR 650-150 are authorized for use in preparation of the Efficiency Report.

b. "Date of Report" will be the date the report is actually completed.

c. "Arm or Service", paragraph B, for Warrant and Flight Officers, is "None."

d. "Stations" will be completed with the Theater Command for all overseas service. For duty performed within the United States, the specific station to which the expression of duty assignment relates will be entered.

e. All entries extracted from Qualification Cards (WD AGO Forms 66-1, 66-2 and 66-3) will be entered in the manner prescribed in paragraph 11 b 6 of AR 600-185.

f. The period covered by this semi-annual report is 184 days except in case of entry on active duty subsequent to 1 July 1944. Each day will be accounted for. Such entries as "En route" or "No entry" will be used to account for gaps in the chronological record of service.

g. Combat Service.

1. Tactical Organizations. Down to and including Wing Headquarters, duty will be classified as "Non-Combat" unless there was a record of missions flown against the enemy, in which case "Combat" will be checked. At the Group level, non-flying officers and flying officers with no record of missions flown against the enemy are to be considered "Non-Combat" except if the Group Headquarters was subjected to considerable attack, in which case all officers will be credited with combat service except those whose duties were solely training, executive, or administrative. All squadron officers will be considered to have served in combat, with the exceptions as enumerated above.

2. Service Organizations. "Combat" in service units will be construed to mean duty involving combat with the enemy or immediate support of such operations.

h. Paragraph 7 of AR 600-185 is interpreted as follows: Where an officer holds an aeronautical rating and is on flying status under such rating, an entry will be made in Section C of WD AGO Form 67 showing this rating: i.e. Pilot, SE or Pilot, 2 Engines. The officer will not be rated (evaluated) in this section.

i. An award or decoration should be listed as "favorable mention in official communications." It is not necessary to attach copies of General Orders conferring these awards, and in instances where there was more than one award or decoration during the period covered by the report, copies are not desired. A statement

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including the type of award, the paragraph and General Order number, the headquarters and date, will suffice. For example: "Air Medal, paragraph 7, General Order 777, Hq Seventh Air Force, dated 7 July 1944." Such entries are to be made on the reverse side of the Form #67, in the section entitled "This Space For Continuation of Remarks If Needed". Only individual awards and citations are to be included:--not Distinguished Unit or Battle Participation awards.

j. Reports will be prepared, signed, and forwarded in duplicate.

k. First Indorsement will be accomplished by the next higher commander except in instances where an unfavorable report is rendered. Action on unfavorable reports will be in accordance with paragraph 13 b of AR 600-105. The First Indorsement will contain an expression of opinion of the report. Paragraph 13 of the AR will be complied with.

1. Reports for Colonels will be forwarded to this headquarters through intermediate command channels. Reports rendered on officers of all lower grades will be sent direct to The Adjutant General by the headquarters accomplishing the First Indorsement.

3. In the case of Flight and Warrant Officers who have been commissioned between 1 July 1944 and 31 December 1944, a separate report will be rendered from 1 July 1944 until the date warrant or original appointment was terminated. An additional report will be accomplished for the remainder of the period through 31 December 1944.

4. Inclosed herein is the Efficiency Report Check Sheet used by this headquarters. It is suggested that similar check sheets be prepared by all units of this command and used as a guide in the final examination of Efficiency Reports prior to forwarding them to the next destination.

5. Communication with this headquarters (Attention: AG Personnel Section) is encouraged in the event of questions of policy or procedure not elsewhere clarified.

By command of Major General W.B. SMITH:

T. J. Drogan
T. J. DROGAN,
Colonel, AGP,
Adjutant General.

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EFFICIENCY REPORT CHECK SHEET

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1. Theater or Command (European T of Opns).....
2. Organization and Unit (Squad-Cp) (Co.-Bn).....
3. Date of Report (Actual date on which report accomplished).....
4. Name (As appears on official rosters).....
5. Serial Number.....
6. Grade (As of date of report).....
7. Arm or Service ("None" for MOs and Flt Os).....
8. Component (MA-ORG-AUS-NG).....
9. Date of Birth (day-month-year).....
10. Service (Limited or General).....
11. Official status of O with respect to Reporting O.....
12. From-To (1 July to 31 December 1944).....
13. Stations (If Foreign Sv-Theater: If U.S.-Station).....
14. Duty assignment.....
15. Days (184).....
16. Classification of Duty (Combat?).....
17. If info extracted from 66-1, in quotes & "Fr 66-1".....
18. General estimate of officer.....
19. Source of entries.....
20. Attitude of reporting officer.....
21. Numerical rating agrees with adjectival rating.....
22. Mentioned favorably-references.....
23. Mentioned unfavorably-indorsements.....
24. Deficiencies brought to attention of officer.....
25. Outstanding specialties (ALL Pilots).....
26. Inclosures (if "None" so stated).....
27. Typed name, grade and branch of Reporting O.....
28. Commanding what?.....
29. Report in duplicate.....
30. Both copies signed.....
31. First indorsement expresses opinion of report.....
32. Reports forwarded unclassified.....

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APG 887
14 March 1945

AG 311.22 OpSC.

SUBJECT: Misuse of Army Communications.

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. General Marshall has personally called to the attention of the Theater Commander the misuse of army communication facilities and has directed corrective action. Particular points mentioned in his directive are:

a. Volume of classified messages has greatly multiplied since 1942.

b. Average word count per message has increased from 95 to 146, or approximately 54%.

c. Messages frequently contain excessive internal routing information.

d. Increased tendency toward verbosity.

2. Abuses mentioned will be corrected at once by strict adherence to this program, plus additional measures deemed desirable by the commander concerned:

a. All administrative matters, other than urgent, will be dispatched by letter via Signal Dispatch Service, Air Dispatch Letter Service, or Army Postal Service. These facilities are adequate for handling administrative traffic and normally effect delivery to major commands within twenty-four hours.

b. Length of messages will be reduced by approximately one-third (1/3). Experiments have shown that this is possible without detriment to the purpose of the message.

c. Precedence and security classifications will be constantly reviewed and held to the minimum consistent with the time element involved and adequate safeguarding of operations.

d. Internal routing instructions will be included only when necessary for the command receiving the message to complete delivery and when used, will be restricted to the minimum required.

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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 17 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For compliance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

J. E. Gordon
J. E. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APC 374, U.S. Army. 28 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

1. For compliance.

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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
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HEADQUARTERS, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 17 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For compliance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

J. E. GORDON,
Colonel, AGC,
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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
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HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL AIR DEPOT AREA (PROV)
AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND IN EUROPE
APO 744 U.S. ARMY

AAF 389
14 March 1945

V-2-018.2

SUBJECT: Lend-Lease and Reciprocal Aid Shipments.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force, APO 374,
U. S. Army.

1. USSTAF Regulation 30-1, dated 26 October 1944, direct that on all issues to Allied Governments, the price of each item will be shown.

2. In order that these prices will be uniform and correct, the following procedure should be placed in effect immediately:

a. On all shipments of property to Lend-Lease activities three extra copies of shipping tickets should be prepared. These three copies should be mailed under separate cover to the consignee.

b. The first and second copies are to be signed by the consignee and returned to the consignor and the third copy is for the consignee's files. One of the signed copies should be retained in the consignor's files and the other signed copy marked or stamped "Lend-Lease" and forwarded to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, AAF 590, APO 635, Attn: Reciprocal Aid Branch.

c. On all Lend-Lease shipping tickets, in the unit cost column should be typed the list price, the estimated price or the phrase "price undetermined", for each item shipped. When an estimated price is used "Est." should be typed as a prefix to the unit price. When the total quantity of each item being shipped is determined, the total price should be computed and placed in the total cost column.

- (1) List Price. A price found in an authorized publication such as stock lists or technical orders.
- (2) Estimated Price. A price arrived at in comparison of like items having a list price.
- (3) Price undetermined. The phrase assigned to an item in the event no reasonable estimate of the price is available.

3. If the shipping order is in the form of a teletype and not a shipping ticket, the list price, the estimated price or the phrase "price undetermined" is included in the body of the teletype message. No computation of total price will be shown when a teletype is attached.

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4. Each Lend-Lease shipping ticket should have in the body of the shipping ticket, "Issued to _____ Government". In the blank should be typed the Government to whom the issue is made, e.g. "French".

5. On reparable items which appear on the critical item list and are returned by the French Air Force, four copies of the shipping ticket will be mailed under separate cover to the consignee. Two of these copies will be signed by the consignee and returned to the consignor. One copy will be signed by the consignee and forwarded to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, AAF 590, APO 835, Attn: Reciprocal Aid Branch. One copy will be retained for the consignee's files.

6. Only reparable items which appear on the critical item list will be returned by the French activities.

7. For your information, attached hereto are sample copies of shipping tickets showing the preparation of the body of the shipping ticket.

For the Commanding General:

s/J. R. THOMAS,
Maj., A.C.
for t/Lt. E. GLASER
Colonel, A.C.
Director of Supply

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Incl 2-S/T showing estimated price (unit cost column)
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U.S. Army.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and compliance.

By command of Brigadier General LANGHEAD:

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Lt Col., AGD
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APO 687
15 March 1945

AG 062 OpSC

SUBJECT: Limitation of Photographic Requests.

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. A serious shortage exists of still picture film and paper and of motion picture film. Unless steps are taken to reduce to a minimum all demands for photography not urgently required for essential military activities, it is expected that this shortage will severely hamper the production of photographic prints for operational purposes.

2. To eliminate unnecessary use of photographic materials, it is urgently recommended that theater distribution of still picture prints and motion pictures be given close scrutiny.

3. To insure that requirements for pictures for orientation purposes, unit histories, displays, and for purposes which are not immediately and specifically required for the prosecution of the war, be eliminated or drastically curtailed, it is desired that all orders for motion picture and still picture prints to be made either in the theater or in the United States be carefully screened.

4. It is directed that immediate steps be taken to reduce to a minimum, all demands for photography or processing not urgently required for essential military activities.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. Lovett,
t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 21 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution:

For your information.

By command of Lieutenant General SPAATZ:

[Signature]
J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
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	*4	8-3-44	C	Defense Policy
47				<u>PUBLIC RELATIONS</u>
49				<u>MESS</u>
50				<u>TRAINING</u>
	*1	21-1-44	D	Examination on Navigational Aids and Radio Procedures
	*1A	15-2-44	D	" " " " "
	*1B	15-3-44	D	" " " " "
	2	31-1-44	E	Parachute Jumping
	3	21-2-44	D	Navigation Libraries
	3A	30-4-44	D	" "
	4	15-8-44	E-	Forced Descent of Aircraft at Sea (Ditching)

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50				<u>TRAINING (cont'd)</u>
	5	8-3-45	C	Distribution of Training Films
55				<u>OPERATIONS</u>
	1	25-5-44	E	Operation of the AGC, USSTAF
60				<u>FLYING</u>
	1	18-2-44	E	Flights in US Aircraft
	2	22-2-44	E	Setting the Sensitive Altimeter
	2A	25-2-44	E	" " " "
61				<u>FLYING OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES</u>
62				<u>FLYING SAFETY</u>
	1	20-2-45	D	Investigation and Reporting of Aircraft Accidents Emergency Procedures for Acci- dents and overdue Aircraft Clearance, Nos. AAF FS-T8 and AAF FS-T9.
63				<u>FLIGHT CONTROL</u>

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65				<u>SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE</u>
3	19-2-44	D less 15th AF		Procurement of Recognition Training Materials
3A	17-4-44	"	"	" " " "
3B	1-6-44	"	"	" " " "
3C	6-7-44	"	"	" " " "
70				<u>PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTING</u>
75				<u>TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION</u>
1	19-4-44	E		Use of motor vehicles for Recreation Purposes
1A	7-11-44	E		" " " " " "
1B	16-11-44	E		" " " " " "
*2	23-11-44	D		Air Transportation of Civilians
*2A	6-12-44	D		" " " "
80				<u>ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES</u>
1	8-1-45	E		USSTAF Standard Reporting System
*2	26-10-44	E		Army Post Office Numbers

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80				<u>ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES (cont'd)</u>
	3	18-6-44	E	Mail
	3A	7-8-44	E	"
	4	18-3-44	E	Delegation of Duties
	5	1-1-45	D+	Claims
	5A	8-1-45	D+	"
	6	8-5-44	E	Definitions
	6A	16-1-45	E	"
	6B	20-1-45	E	"
	7	14-8-44	D	Administration of Women's Army Corps
	8	16-6-44	B+	Standard Definitions and Procedures Aircraft Reports
	8A	12-2-45	B+	" " " " "
	9	24-6-44	E	Submission of AAF Form No. 10
	9A	4-9-44	E	" " " " " "
	10	5-8-44	E	Personnel Records
	10A	24-6-44	E	" "
	10B	22-2-45	E	" "
	11	7-8-44	D	Identification Cards
	12	25-1-45	D	Issuance of Travel Orders
	12A	6-2-45	D	" " " "
	13	23-1-45	E	Service Records
	14	5-3-45	D	Delegation of Authority

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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

1	31-3-44	D+	Fire Fighting
2	31-3-44	D+	Requisition of Property
3	1-4-44	D+	Snow Removal at Airdromes

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85				<u>BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS (cont'd)</u>
	4	1-4-44	D+	Construction and Utility Work
	5	30-3-44	C	Installation of Obstruction Lights
	6	2-4-44	D+	Transfer of Airdromes and other Establishments.
	6A	21-6-44	D+	" " " " " "
	7	12-8-44	D	Return of AAF Airdromes, Posts, Camps, and Stations
	7A	11-11-44	D	" " " " " "
	7B	6-3-45	D	" " " " " "
	8	25-11-44	D-	Construction and Maintenance on the Continent
95				<u>PHOTOGRAPHY, MAPS AND CHARTS</u>
100				<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>
	1	3-4-44	D	Security and Speed Classifications of Messages
	*2	10-5-44	C	Standard Operating Procedure-Teletypewriter Procedure
	*2A	13-7-44	C	" " " "
	*2B	6-9-44	C	" " " "
105				<u>WEATHER</u>
	1	7-10-44	D+	Organization and Responsibilities
	2	5-5-44	D+	Weather Service for Ground Forces
	3	8-10-44	D+	Security of Weather Info in ETO
	4	9-10-44	D+	Classification & Operation of Weather Stations & Sections

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105				<u>WEATHER</u> (cont'd)
	5	10-10-44	D+	Duties and Assignment of Weather Officers
110				<u>LEGAL</u>
120				<u>INSPECTION</u>
	1	15-5-44	D	Principles Controlling USSTAF Inspector Activities.
	1A	10-10-44	D	" " " "
	1B	12-1-45	D	" " " "
	1C	4-2-45	D	" " " "
	2	6-2-44	D	Procedure for Handling of AAF Regulations and Memorandums of the 120 and 121 series
	3	4-2-45	O	Case Reports, AAF
	4	7-10-44	O less higher Hq	Special subjects for Air Inspectors, Inspectors General
121				<u>INSPECTION, SPECIAL SUBJECTS FOR AIR INSPECTORS</u>
	1	22-3-44	D	Tire and Tube Maintenance
	2	6-8-44	C-	Special Survey of Personnel Records
	3	6-10-44	C-Higher Hq	Administrative Records of E listed Personnel
	4	24-12-44	D	Tire and Tube Maintenance
132				<u>SIGNAL CORPS</u>
	1	1-4-44	E	Headsets and Headset Accessories

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BACK NO.	SUB NO.	DATE	DIST.	TITLE
134				<u>ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT</u>
	1	16-5-44	D	Storage and Handling of H Bombs
	2	10-6-44	D+	Reconnaissance and Disposal of Unexploded Bombs
	3	28-8-44	D-	Conversion Tables for Use in Computing Bomb Tonnage
	4	8-9-44	D	Procedure for Giving Assistance to the RAF Bomb Disposal Organization in Disposal of Bombs
	5	25-9-44	E	Responsibility for Ordnance Motor Vehicles
136				<u>CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICES</u>
	1	6-5-44	E	Individual Protective Equipment for Defense Against Chemical Attack
	2	6-6-44	E	Gas Defense Organization
	2A	20-8-44	E	" " "
	2B	1-9-44	E	" " "
	3	5-1-45	E	Gas Defense Training
	4	29-5-44	D	Investigating and Reporting Enemy Gas Attacks
	4A	6-1-45	D	" " " " "
	5	24-6-44	E	SOP Gas Alarm
	6	4-11-44	E	Stock Reports
200				<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>
	1	10-5-44	D	Visits to Ministry of Aircraft Production Establishments by Air Force Personnel

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By command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

E. P. CURTIS;
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Chief of Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
APO 374

L-S-3

15 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Responsibility for Supply.

TO : Commanding Officer, 310th Service Group, APO 374, U.S. Army
Commanding Officer, Det "A", 1144th QM Co., APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. Responsibility for supply of the below listed units is placed with Det "A", 1144th QM Co., and the 310th Service Group is relieved thereof, effective 16 March 1945.

Hq & Hq Sq; 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Hq & Hq Sq, 1st Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
322nd Signal Co. Wing
385th Signal Service Co.
Det KK; 21st Weather Sq
Det KK; 40th Mobile Comm Sq
WAC Det., Hq Sq, 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov)
63rd Fighter Wing
202nd Med Disp Avn
2nd Air Disarmament Wing
1144th QM Co., Det "A"
Hq & Hq Btry; 213th AAA Group
439th AAA Bn, C Battery

2. All requisitions from these units for Class II and IV Quartermaster equipment will be submitted to Det "A", 1144th QM Co., APO 374.

By command of Brigadier General LANGMEAD:

Neil M. Matzger
NEIL M. MATZGER,
Lt. Col., AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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L-F-3

16 March 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Ranges, Field, M1937, and Units, Fire, M1937.
TO : See Distribution.

1. A report giving the following information will be submitted to this headquarters not later than 30 March 1945:

- a. Total number of Ranges, field, M1937, less Units, fire, on hand.
- b. Total number of Units, fire, M1937, on hand.

2. This survey is for informational purposes, and will be used by this headquarters as a guide in making arrangements for replacement parts.

3. All units of XII Tactical Air Command and 42nd Bomb-Wing will submit reports to their headquarters, who will prepare a consolidation showing the above information for each unit. Each Service Group and Air Depot Group will consolidate reports of units within the group. Separate units and units at this headquarters will submit reports direct.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

K-1-4

TEMPORARY
TECHNICAL MAINTENANCE
INSTRUCTIONS
11-1-1

17 March 1945.

ARRANGEMENT

MULTIPLE ARMING WIRE LOOP: ON B-7 SHACKLE

Note: The work directed herein will be accomplished by service activities at the discretion of the Group Commander.

1. The method of arranging arming wires when clustering bombs as described in T.O. 11-25-13 dated 2 May 1944, has been found unsatisfactory in many cases. To assure that the arming wires of clustered bombs will function properly, a flexible arming wire loop can be added to the B-7 shackle.
2. The loop is made from a piece of flexible cable (similar to aircraft control cable), about 10 inches long and 3/32 inch diameter. This piece of cable is threaded over the lower shackle spacer, "B" on attached drawing, and a loop formed by placing the cable end to end with approximately 3/4 inch overlap. Then safety wire, or similar thin strong wire, is wrapped tightly around the cable and overlapped cable ends, forming a snug smaller loop on the spacer and leaving a larger loop, "A" on drawing, of approximately 1-1/4 inch diameter and 1-3/4 inch length. The wire wrapped portion is thinly covered with solder for about 1-1/2 inch to produce a smooth surface, and make a secure join.
3. When using the multiple arming loop, the swivel loops of the arming wires are slipped on to loop "A", which is then placed over the bomb shackle arming hook. If bombs are dropped "Armed" the flexible loop remains in that position and thereby withdraws the arming wires from the falling bombs. If bombs are dropped "Safe", the arming hook has moved out of the way and permits the flexible loop to fall out of the shackle slot, then the arming wire swivel loops readily slide off and away with their bombs.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General. 61

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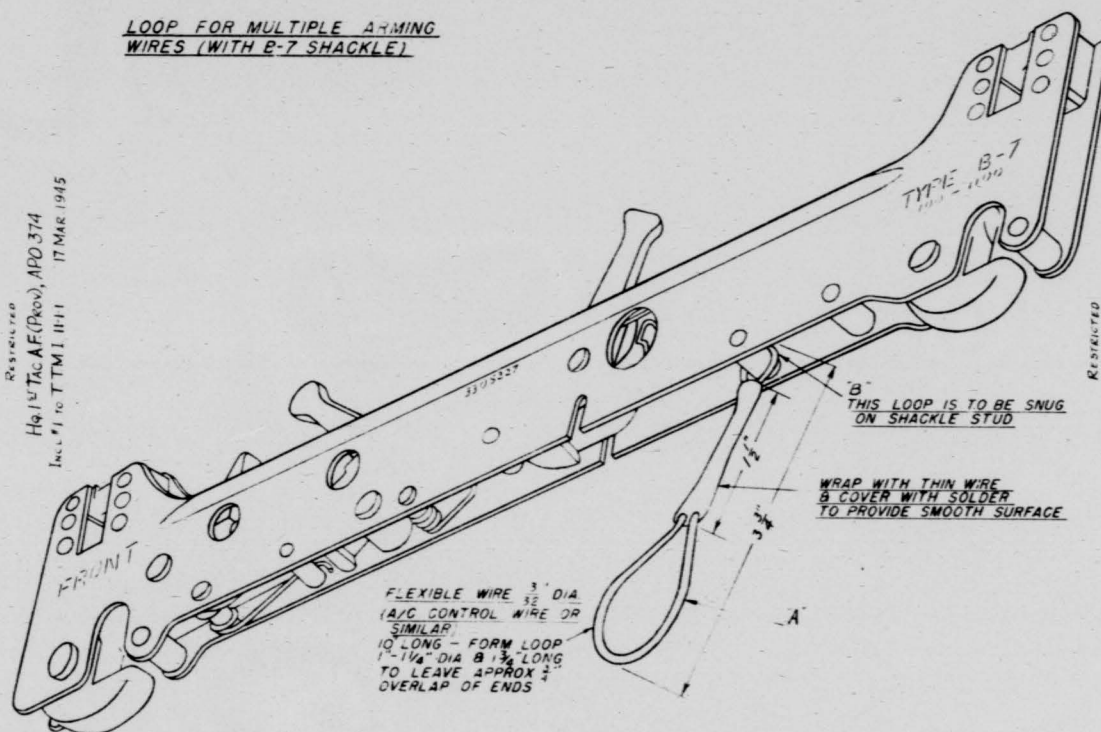
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LOOP FOR MULTIPLE ARMING
WIRES (WITH B-7 SHACKLE)

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (Prov)
APO 374

19 March 1945

SUBJECT: Officer Evaluation Appraisal Code

TO : CG's and CO's all Units, 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Reference to Letter, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, AAF Ltr 35-140, Subje Plans, Policies, and Procedure for Evaluation and Selection of Classifications of Officers for manning the post-war air force, dated 8 September 1944.

2. Action will be taken to insure the completion of entries of officer's evaluation code on both command level copy and unit level copy of WD AGO 66-2 in accordance with instructions contained in above cited letter and 1st Indorsement this headquarters.

3. In the event no record of officer's evaluation code appears on WD AGO 66-1 or 2 and there is no evidence that an AAF Form 123 has been submitted a new AAF Form 123 will be prepared in accordance with current directives and forwarded to this headquarters.

4. All WD AGO 66-1 or 2 will be checked immediately to insure that proper appraisal codes are entered and initialed in accordance with current directives.

By Command of Major General WENDELL:

Thomas G. Krcberg
THOMAS G. KRCBERG
Major, AC
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 37L

G-7-6

21 March 1945

SUBJECT: War Department Circular 290, 1944.

TO : CG's, CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

Contrary to previous instructions WD Cir 290, 1944 will apply to this theatre.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

James H. Wall
JAMES H WALL
CWO USA
Asst Adj Gen

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374

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22 March 1945

SUBJECT: First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament.

TO : CG's and CO's, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. A First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament will be held in Nancy during the week 22 - 28 April 1945. The exact site and date will be announced at a later date.

2. The officer in charge of each team or contestants will certify as to the amateur standing and experience of each fighter on his team and will signify that he has investigated same by signing fighter's application for entry in the tournament. Fighters will be selected on the basis of comparative records and rating. Competition will be in the following eight (8) classes:

WEIGHT DIVISIONS

MAXIMUM WEIGHT

Bantam	120 lbs
Feather	127 lbs
Light	135 lbs
Welterweight	145 lbs
Senior-Welterweight	155 lbs
Middle	165 lbs
Lt Heavy	175 lbs
Heavy	unlimited

3. Officials for the tournament will be one (1) referee, three (3) judges and one (1) knockdown referee. Decisions of the officials based on judgement of fact will be final.

4. Each team will be limited to eleven (11) men, consisting of one (1) representative in each of the eight (8) classes, two (2) trainers and one (1) officer. No alternate will be allowed to substitute for an injured boxer once he has taken part in the First Tactical Air Force tournament.

5. The tournament will be conducted under the Official National Collegiate Athletic Association Boxing Rules. Weighing-in dates will be announced at a later date.

6. Applications for the tournament should be in this office not later than 8 April 1945. Each team will be fully equipped with the necessary boxing equipment, except gloves, which will be furnished.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE
BOXING TOURNAMENT
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Entry Form

NAME _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

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PLEASE ENTER ME IN THE FOLLOWING CLASS _____ NORMAL WEIGHT _____

STATE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE EITHER AMATEUR OR PRO GIVING FULL BACKGROUND AND
TITLES IF ANY _____

CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE DECIDED AT THE FOLLOWING WEIGHTS:

BANTAMWEIGHT.....120 lbs
FEATHERWEIGHT.....127 lbs
LIGHTWEIGHT.....135 lbs
WELTERWEIGHT.....145 lbs
SENIOR-WELTERWEIGHT.....155 lbs
MIDDLEWEIGHT.....165 lbs
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT.....175 lbs
HEAVYWEIGHT.....over 175 lbs

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FIRST TACAF PUBLIC RELATIONS

NAME _____ RANK _____ COMPETING AT _____ LBS

PREVIOUS BOXING BACKGROUND, PROFESSIONAL, AMATEUR, INTER-COLLEGIATE, ETC. _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

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I certify that the above given information is correct to the best of my
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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23 March 1945

SUBJECT: Form 127 Report
TO : All Units This Command

1. The following instructions are published to assist in the accurate and prompt submission of Air Force Form 127-UK as of 31 March 1945:

a. Original and two copies of Form 127 will be prepared and forwarded so as to reach this headquarters (attention: Statistical Control) not later than noon, 3 April 1945. Two (2) true copies of the morning report of each organization as of midnight 31 March 1945 will be attached thereto.

b. Current "Reporting Guides" will be used wherever available. The number and date of the "Reporting Guide" used in preparation of the report will be listed. If the MOS and grade breakdown in the prescribed "Reporting Guide" is at variance with that authorized any organization, changes will be made accordingly and the report footnoted to indicate the change made and authority therefor.

c. Current operating authorization must be indicated at the bottom of Form 127-UK.

d. The heading of the Form 127 will be completed in detail. It is essential that the chain of command be correct.

e. Warrant Officer strength (authorized and assigned) will be consolidated with officer strength in Table I, and will not be shown separately.

f. Enlisted men assigned to the Medical Department will be carried as "MD" on the Form 127-UK-B and not "MC". (Only officers are designated "MC").

g. Accurate breakdown of Arms or Service grades and ratings is essential.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374

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22 March 1945

SUBJECT: First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament.

TO : CG's and CO's, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. A First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament will be held in Nancy during the week 22 - 26 April 1945. The exact site and date will be announced at a later date.

2. The officer in charge of each team or contestants will certify as to the amateur standing and experience of each fighter on his team and will signify that he has investigated same by signing fighter's application for entry in the tournament. Fighters will be selected on the basis of comparative records and rating. Competition will be in the following eight (8) classes:

WEIGHT DIVISIONS

MAXIMUM WEIGHT

Bantam	120 lbs
Feather	127 lbs
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3. Officials for the tournament will be one (1) referee, three (3) judges and one (1) knockdown referee. Decisions of the officials based on judgement of fact will be final.

4. Each team will be limited to eleven (11) men, consisting of one (1) representative in each of the eight (8) classes, two (2) trainers and one (1) officer. No alternate will be allowed to substitute for an injured boxer once he has taken part in the First Tactical Air Force tournament.

5. The tournament will be conducted under the Official National Collegiate Athletic Association Boxing Rules. Weighing-in dates will be announced at a later date.

6. Applications for the tournament should be in this office not later than 8 April 1945. Each team will be fully equipped with the necessary boxing equipment, except gloves, which will be furnished.

By command of Major General WINTER:

Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE
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PLEASE ENTER ME IN THE FOLLOWING CLASS _____ NOMINAL WEIGHT _____

STATE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE EITHER AMATEUR OR PRO GIVING FULL BACKGROUND AND
TITLES IF ANY _____

CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE DECIDED AT THE FOLLOWING WEIGHTS:

BANTAMWEIGHT.....120 lbs
FEATHERWEIGHT.....127 lbs
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HEAVYWEIGHT.....over..175 lbs

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FIRST TACTICAL PUBLIC RELATIONS

NAME _____ RANK _____ COMPETING AT _____ LBS

PREVIOUS BOXING BACKGROUND, PROFESSIONAL, AMATEUR, INTER-COLLEGIATE, ETC. _____

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

K-JM-2

24 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Air Pressure for Tires.

TO : CG's and CO's All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Pending receipt of WD Technical Bulletin 31-200-6, 9 November 1944, certain changes in tire pressures are authorized and are published herewith for guidance and compliance.

<u>TIRE SIZE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLYS</u>	<u>AIR PRESSURE-LBS</u>
600 X 16	6	30
750 X 16	6	40
750 X 20	8	55
825 X 20	10	60
900 X 16	8	40
900 X 20	10	65
1000 X 15	14	80
1100 X 20	12	70
1100 X 20	14	80
1100 X 24	12	70
1200 X 20	14	80
1400 X 20	16	90

Exceptions are made in the case of truck tractor-trailer units. On truck tractor, 1000 x 20, both 12 and 14 ply, 70 lbs "all around", on trailer, 1100 x 20, both 12 and 14 ply, 80 lbs, "all around".

2. It is directed that unit commanders bring the above information to the attention of all personnel concerned.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. G. Kronberg
T. G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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26 March 1945

SUBJECT: Issue of Money Orders

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374,
U.S. Army.

1. The following extract from Letter TOUSA, File AG 123 x 250.1, dated 15 March 1945, subject: "Currency Secured from Unlawful Sources", is published for your information and strict compliance by all personnel.

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"3. Until further notice, the transmission by military personnel of funds to any point outside the theater utilizing means other than those afforded by US Army Finance Officers, Army War Bond Officers, or through the Army Postal Service, and except as outlined below is prohibited:

"a. Any person (excluding officers of field grade and above) desiring to transmit funds by P.M., postal money order, or by purchase of war bonds, will first submit application in appropriate form to the unit personnel (or comparable administrative) officer, who will be charged with maintaining a record in respect to each such individual in the unit, indicating the date, amount, and method of every transmittal of funds by such person.

"b. Following entry of the pertinent information on the record referred to in a above, the personnel officer will countersign the application as evidence of such entry and return it to the applicant for further processing through regular channels.

"c. Unit commanders will examine the unit record of fund transmittals in conjunction with individual deposits entered on WD FD Form #33 (Soldier's Deposit Book) and individual records of currency exchanges at frequent intervals for the purpose of informing themselves as to the existence of any case in which a person has transmitted, deposited, or exchanged disproportionately large sums of money either in a single transaction or in the aggregate. In such cases, which will include the transmittal and/or deposit by an individual in a single calendar month of an amount in excess of such individual's unencumbered pay, investigation will be made, and, if indicated, appropriate action will be taken.

"d. Finance, postal, and war bond officers are prohibited from accepting any applications for transmission of funds by persons defined in a above, unless such applications have been countersigned as provided in b above."

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2. Unit Personnel Officers will countersign at the top of the Post Office Department Form 6001 (Application for Money Order). Money order clerks will insure that each money order application bears complete unit address of the remitter and not merely the APO of address.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
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27 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Oil Change Period for Wheeled Vehicles.

TO : Commanding General, Central Air Depot Area, (Prov), Air
Technical Service Command in Europe,
AAF-389, APO 744.
Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, US Strategic
Air Forces in Europe, AAF-590, APO 835.
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force, APO 696.
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, AAF-101, APO 634.
Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 374.
Commanding General, IX Engineer Command, APO 126.
Commanding General, IX Troop Carrier Command, AAF-472,
APO 133.

1. Effective immediately, the provisions of the enclosed
Ordnance Technical Bulletin No. 29 will be complied with by all
Commands under the jurisdiction of US Strategic Air Forces in
Europe.

2. In cases where this directive is in opposition to
Technical Orders governing Air Force procured equipment, the specific
Technical Order will apply.

For the Commanding General:

/s/ Joseph A. Filkins, Lt. Col, AC
for /t/ JAMES D. GIVENS,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Director of Maintenance.

Incl: Ord. Tech. Bulletin #29,
subj. as above, dtd 13 Apr. 44.

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, U. S. ARMY,
2 APRIL 1945.

TO: C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 374, U. S. Army.

Forwarded for your immediate compliance.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

J-JB-9

27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Preparation of Messages.

TO : Commanding General's and Commanding Officer's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Signal Centers will not accept a message destined to two or more addressees unless it is designated as either a "DUAL" message or a "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" message by the originator. This information will be shown several lines above the text on the message form for the information of signal personnel and will not be transmitted.

2. When a message is to be transmitted to a number of addressees, the contents of the text being of such nature that no element of coordination between addressees is necessary or required, it is known as a "ROUTINE MESSAGE" in the U.S. Forces and as an "ALL INFORMATION" message in the British Forces. In order to inform the addressees of such messages that other interested parties have received the message, U.S. personnel will write the words "ROUTINE MESSAGE" within the parens in the text.

3. A "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" message is one that is to be sent to two or more addressees, all of whom need to know who the others are for purposes of coordination. Since signal personnel transmit the designation of all addressees to each addressee, no other indication that the message is "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" need be transmitted.

4. Each action and/or information addressee in each message will be numbered consecutively. The number will be placed before the designation of the addressee.

5. Originators of messages should indicate precedence desired for each addressee, as "INFO" transmissions can usually carry a lower precedence classification than "TO" transmissions. In the event that the originator does not specify the precedence of "INFO" transmissions, the Signal Center will send all "INFO" transmissions as "ROUTINE", using "DUAL PRECEDENCE" procedure as shown in Paragraph 6A Chapter V, FM 24-8. In the event that only one precedence classification is shown on the message form that precedence will be used for all "TO" or action transmissions. Signal Centers may show precedence of transmission to each addressee by using the proper prefix opposite the designation of the addressee in the heading, but this will be in addition to and will not replace "DUAL PRECEDENCE" procedure outlined in FM 24-8.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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28 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Designation of Primary MOS.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Reference Item 27, WD AGO Form 20, attention is invited to the following:

a. "The Primary MOS will be designated by preceding the appropriate specification serial number with the letter 'P' in parenthesis". (Paragraph 1042.27g, Section X, AAF Manual 35-1.)

b. "Where a rating of 'skilled' or 'semi-skilled' has been awarded for more than one MOS, that MOS which requires the highest level of skill, the longest period of training and experience, and is of the greatest value to the Army Air Forces, will be noted as 'Primary' under item 27, WD AGO Form 20". (Paragraph 508, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.)

2. In accordance with the above, all Forms 20 will be immediately reviewed and the "Primary" military occupational specialty of all enlisted men qualified for more than one (1) MOS will be designated as indicated in paragraph 1a above. Further, enlisted personnel will be identified on all personnel rosters, personnel reports, special orders, publications, and correspondence in the "Primary" military occupational specialty.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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23 March 1945

SUBJECT: Use of WD QMC Form 221.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force
(Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. The following procedure will be adhered to in the transfer and request for replacement of vehicles declared salvaged by fourth echelon installations.

a. Transfer of Vehicles. Upon receipt of notice that subject vehicle has been salvaged, the organization to which the vehicle is assigned will immediately complete WD QMC Form 221 (Reference inclosure No. 1, Sample Form), in original and five copies, and will then forward same to the fourth echelon installation to which the vehicle has been evacuated. (WD QMC Forms 221 will accompany notice of vehicle salvage).

b. Request for Replacement.

(1) Request for replacement vehicles will be made by technical channel letter which will be initiated by the organization to which the vehicle was originally assigned. Letter will be forwarded to I Technical Air Force Service Command (Prov), accompanied by the original and three copies of WD QMC Form 221 and one (1) copy of certificate of salvage.

(2) Requests for replacement vehicles due to other than fair wear and tear will contain a certificate that administrative action has been taken.

(3) Complete distribution of the WD QMC Form 221 is as follows:

Original and three copies forwarded to Headquarters, I Technical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

One copy retained by fourth echelon installation's file.

One copy retained by originator.

(4) Loss due to Enemy Action. Technical channel letter will be submitted requesting replacement and certificate that administrative action has been taken (Report of Survey).

Damaged due to Enemy Action. Technical channel letter will be submitted requesting replacement and certificate the vehicle was damaged due to enemy action, also, conform with par b(1)

2. Vehicles being evacuated to 3rd and fourth echelon installations will not be cannibalized; all accessories will accompany the vehicle. First echelon tools may be retained by organization.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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Sample Form WD QMC Form 221.

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QMC Form No. 221
WAR DEPARTMENT
(Rev. 8-6-35)

SAMPLE FORM

MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSFER FORM - W.M.C.

THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO -

____APO XXX____
(Station)

____OQNG TR Ord. Operating____
Instruction No. 78

____XXX Ord. B.M. Bn.____
(Organization)

____Headquarters, Communication____
Zone, listed 5 March 1945
(Authority Reference)

Quantity	Make	Type Body	Qty Load	Wheels & Drive	US Reg. No.	Engine No.	Remark
1 ea.	Willys	4x4	800	4 x 4	2023530	#684185	None

DATE SHIPPED 2 March 1945

DATE RECEIVED 6 March 1945

1st Lt. JOHN J. SMITH
(Rank & Sig. of Shipping Officer)

Capt. JOHN Q. DOE
(Rank & Sig. of Receiving Officer)

____APO XXX, XX Bomb Sq. (M).____
(Station) (Organization)

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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28 March 1945

SUBJECT: Distribution of Liquor Supplies.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Letter, this headquarters, dated 7 January 1945, subject, "Distribution of Wines and Liquors to U.S. Forces on the Continent, European Theater of Operations", is rescinded.

2. Effective 1 April 1945 units assigned or attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will not draw supplies of whiskey and gin from NAAFI installations.

3. Arrangements for the supply of liquor have been made through the Quartermaster, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) who will allocate available supplies to units on the basis of their American officer strength.

4. Each unit will be assigned to a service unit for supply and will furnish a certified strength report to the Quartermaster of this assigned service unit prior to the 10th of each month. The Quartermaster of the service units will in turn forward a certified consolidated strength report, listing units serviced and number of officers in each unit, to reach the Quartermaster, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) not later than the 12th of each month.

5. Immediately upon notification of its allotment, each unit will make an advance payment for the total cost of same to the Quartermaster of the assigned service unit.

6. Quartermasters of the service units will make necessary arrangements for pick-up and delivery of liquor supplies in accordance with directives issued by the Quartermaster, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

7. Officers on Temporary Duty will draw their liquor ration from their parent units, unless specific arrangements are made with other units.

8. Distribution of available French wines and liquors, such as champagne and cognac are suspended effective 1 April 1945. This action has been necessitated primarily by the minimum stock level of supplies in the NAAFI Warehouses and the acute shortage of transportation to effect collection of supplies from the producing regions.

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9. Complete information as to the procedure for purchasing locally available wines and liquors through the NAAFI Warehouses when available will be issued as soon as practicable.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

DISTRIBUTION: "C"

THOMAS G. KRONBERG
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374 US ARMY

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28 March 1945

SUBJECT: Use of CODESS.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Paragraph 2d of letter, Hq. ETOUSA, AG 311.22 OpSC, subject "Misuse of Army Communications", dated 14 March 1945, forwarded for compliance to your headquarters by 1st Indorsement on 28 March 1945 is herewith quoted:

"Internal routing instructions will be included only when necessary for the command receiving the message to complete delivery and when used, will be restricted to the minimum required."

2. ETOUSA cable EX 98076 of 13 February 1945 eliminated paragraph 14, "CODESS" from FM 24-10 and FM 24-8 is no longer applicable to US Forces in the ETO. This change was confirmed in Hq. ETOUSA Signal Operation Instruction 12-14 dated 17 March 1945.

a. Exception to this rule is authorized when using the single call sign method, when calling a unit who has no call sign and/or whose presence in the theater is TOP SECRET information, or when special routing instructions are required.

3. Information of the above mentioned procedure change was forwarded to all units concerned, by letter, this Headquarters, subject "Discontinuance of Codecs", dated 12 March 1945.

4. In place of the CODESS procedure all units will use the PLAINDRESS procedure, as outlined in FM 24-8 and FM 24-10 and authorized for Inter Service, Joint and Combined Communications in ETOUSA Signal Operation Instructions No. 12-14, 17 March 1945.

a. Transmissions by wire teletype will indicate TO, FROM and INFO in the heading, using either teletype call signs, "J" series call signs, or plain language designations, depending upon the security of the circuit, to designate individual addressees.

b. Action or information addressees will be indicated on radio teletype transmissions by use of either teletype call signs, or "J" series call signs. Unit designations will not be used over "insecure" VHF teletype circuits.

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- c. Transmissions on HF/WT links will indicate TO and INFO addressees by use of radio procedure outlined in Chapter II, FM 24-10 and Plate B attached thereto:
- d. The lowest security classification of any teletype routing will govern the procedure for use of plain or call sign addressee designations, and is the responsibility of the originating station.

5. It is the responsibility of Signal Center personnel to "translate" call sign designations into unit designations prior to delivery to ultimate addressees. Arrangements for establishment of this procedure is a local responsibility.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Klonberg
THOMAS G. KLONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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21 March 1945

SUBJECT: War Department Circular 290, 1944.

TO : CG's, CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

Contrary to previous instructions WD Cir 290, 1944 will apply to this theatre.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

James H. Wall
JAMES H WALL
CWO USA
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22 March 1945

SUBJECT: First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament.

TO : CG's and CO's, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. A First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament will be held in Nancy during the week 22 - 28 April 1945. The exact site and date will be announced at a later date.

2. The officer in charge of each team or contestants will certify as to the amateur standing and experience of each fighter on his team and will signify that he has investigated same by signing fighter's application for entry in the tournament. Fighters will be selected on the basis of comparative records and rating. Competition will be in the following eight (8) classes:

WEIGHT DIVISIONS

MINIMUM WEIGHT

Bantam	120 lbs
Feather	127 lbs
Light	135 lbs
Welterweight	145 lbs
Senior-Welterweight	155 lbs
Middle	165 lbs
Lt Heavy	175 lbs
Heavy	unlimited

3. Officials for the tournament will be one (1) referee, three (3) judges and one (1) knockdown referee. Decisions of the officials based on judgement of fact will be final.

4. Each team will be limited to eleven (11) men, consisting of one (1) representative in each of the eight (8) classes, two (2) trainers and one (1) officer. No alternate will be allowed to substitute for an injured boxer once he has taken part in the First Tactical Air Force tournament.

5. The tournament will be conducted under the Official National Collegiate Athletic Association Boxing Rules. Weighing-in dates will be announced at a later date.

6. Applications for the tournament should be in this office not later than 8 April 1945. Each team will be fully equipped with the necessary boxing equipment, except gloves, which will be furnished.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj. General.

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BOXING TOURNAMENT
1945

Entry Form

NAME _____ RANK _____ ASN _____

ORG _____

PLEASE ENTER ME IN THE FOLLOWING CLASS _____ NORMAL WEIGHT _____

STATE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE EITHER AMATEUR OR PRO GIVING FULL BACKGROUND AND
TITLES IF ANY _____

CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE DECIDED AT THE FOLLOWING WEIGHTS:

BANTAMWEIGHT.....120 lbs
FEATHERWEIGHT.....127 lbs
LIGHTWEIGHT.....135 lbs
WELTERWEIGHT.....145 lbs
SENIOR-WELTERWEIGHT.....155 lbs
MIDDLEWEIGHT.....165 lbs
LIGHT-HEAVY WEIGHT.....175 lbs
HEAVYWEIGHT.....over 175 lbs

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FIRST TACTICAL PUBLIC RELATIONS

NAME _____ RANK _____ COMPETING AT _____ LBS

PREVIOUS BOXING BACKGROUND, PROFESSIONAL, AMATEUR, INTER-COLLEGIATE, ETC. _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

HOMETOWN NEWSPAPERS & TRADE PAPERS, IF ANY _____

I certify that the above given information is correct to the best of my
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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23 March 1945

SUBJECT: Form 127 Report

TO : All Units This Command

1. The following instructions are published to assist in the accurate and prompt submission of Air Force Form 127-UK as of 31 March 1945:

a. Original and two copies of Form 127 will be prepared and forwarded so as to reach this headquarters (attention: Statistical Control) not later than noon, 3 April 1945. Two (2) true copies of the morning report of each organization as of midnight 31 March 1945 will be attached thereto.

b. Current "Reporting Guides" will be used wherever available. The number and date of the "Reporting Guide" used in preparation of the report will be listed. If the MOS and grade breakdown in the prescribed "Reporting Guide" is at variance with that authorized any organization, changes will be made accordingly and the report footnoted to indicate the change made and authority therefor.

c. Current operating authorization must be indicated at the bottom of Form 127-UK.

d. The heading of the Form 127 will be completed in detail. It is essential that the chain of command be correct.

e. Warrant Officer strength (authorized and assigned) will be consolidated with officer strength in Table I, and will not be shown separately.

f. Enlisted men assigned to the Medical Department will be carried as "MD" on the Form 127-UK-B and not "MC". (Only officers are designated "MC").

g. Accurate breakdown of Arms or Service grades and rating is essential.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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24 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Air Pressure for Tires.

TO : CG's and CO's All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Pending receipt of WD Technical Bulletin 31-200-6, 9 November 1944, certain changes in tire pressures are authorized and are published herewith for guidance and compliance.

<u>TIRE SIZE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLYS</u>	<u>AIR PRESSURE-LBS</u>
600 X 16	6	30
750 X 16	6	40
750 X 20	8	55
825 X 20	10	60
900 X 16	8	40
900 X 20	10	65
1000 X 15	14	80
1100 X 20	12	70
1100 X 20	14	80
1100 X 24	12	70
1200 X 20	14	80
1400 X 20	16	90

Exceptions are made in the case of truck tractor-trailer units. On truck tractor, 1000 x 20, both 12 and 14 ply, 70 lbs "all around", on trailer, 1100 x 20, both 12 and 14 ply, 80 lbs, "all around".

2. It is directed that unit commanders bring the above information to the attention of all personnel concerned.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. G. KRONBERG,
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24 March 1945

SUBJECT: Vehicle Transfer.

TO : CG's and CO's ALL Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. The supply, issue and transfer of all General Purpose vehicles for units within the First Tactical Air Force is the responsibility of the Armament and Ordnance Officer, this Headquarters. No General Purpose vehicles will be assigned or transferred from First Tactical Air Force organizations without the prior approval of this Headquarters.

2. The transfer of general purpose vehicles will be accomplished as follows:

a. The organization will request transfer authority from the supply and maintenance officer, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) to whom the transfer authority has been delegated before any change of status occurs in the organizations general purpose vehicle inventory.

b. The supply and maintenance officer, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command will issue a transfer authority upon approval of request after which transfer may be completed. One (1) copy of transfer authority will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer of the organization concerned by Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

c. Information required is organization that vehicle is transferred from and to, vehicle nomenclature, USA Registration number, and chassis number, as shown on enclosed sample vehicle transfer authority form.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. G. KROEBER
T. G. KROEBER,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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1 copy Vehicle Transfer Authority Form.

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I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)
Office of the Armament and Ordnance Officer
APO 374 U. S. ARMY

VEHICLE TRANSFER AUTHORITY NO. _____

FROM STA. _____ ORGANIZATION _____ DATE _____

	U.S.A.	CHASSIS	TO	
NOMENCLATURE	REG. NO.	NO.	STA.	ORGANIZATION

For the Armament and Ordnance Officer:

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AFO 887
29 March 1945

AG 322.011 OpGA

SUBJECT: Leave Train Commanders.

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. Commanding General, Seine Section, Communications Zone, is hereby charged with the responsibility of providing train commanders for leave trains departing from, destined for, or passing through Paris.

2. Authority and responsibilities, under the direction of the Commanding General, Seine Section, Communications Zone, of such train commanders are:

a. Command of all military personnel while on board the train and en route, except members of a military railway service performing pertinent duties. However, such command does not include authority to take disciplinary action, except such ~~corrective~~ restraining measures as may be necessary on the spot. Violations will be made the subject of a report by the train commander to the commander concerned.

b. Formulation of such rules and regulations as may be necessary to assure the orderly and comfortable passage of all leave personnel on board. Such rules and regulations will normally be conveyed to leave personnel through the individual group commanders mentioned in paragraph 4, below.

c. To establish proper liaison at the starting point, stops and destination.

d. To provide individual unit or group commanders on the train with adequate information as to available facilities, how they will be met, stops and messing facilities.

e. To carry out instructions conforming with the foregoing issued by the Commanding General, Seine Section, Communications Zone.

3. Train commanders will wear a distinctive arm brassard identifying them as such, to be prescribed by the Commanding General, Seine Section, Communications Zone.

4. Military personnel, while passengers on board such leave trains and while en route, are on a duty status. Firearms and other weapons will not be carried. Leave personnel will be organized into groups as directed by the army group, army, air force, Communications Zone, or other commander concerned. Groups will be commanded by the senior officer or non-commissioned officer present. Group commanders will render assistance to the train commander in enforcing prescribed rules of conduct and operating procedure. Any failure of group commanders to efficiently perform their duties as may be reported by the train commander will be transmitted to the commander concerned by the Commanding General, Seine Section, Communications Zone, for appropriate corrective action.

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5. The train commander may at his discretion attach small groups to larger groups for the purpose of control, discipline or operating convenience. For the same purpose the train commander may also organize several groups into one large group, and designate a commander thereof. Such commander will be responsible as indicated in paragraph 4, above.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. Lovett,
t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 2 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of General SHANTZ:

J. P. Gordon
J. P. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Actg Adj Gen.

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HQ FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (TRCV), APO 374, U S Army, 10 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of Major General BRUGGER:

T. J. Brown
T. J. BROWN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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412.42

30 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Conservation of Batteries.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force
(Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. A serious shortage of batteries now exists in this Theater as incoming shipments of this item are barely adequate to cover existing "dues-out." It is anticipated that the current shortage will become more acute, since only a small part of the Theater's requirements are being met from United States stocks.

2. To alleviate the Theater demands for this item it is of the utmost importance that all using units make every effort to prolong the life of batteries now on hand. Repair of batteries will be stressed. Before batteries are submitted for salvage careful check will be made that the batteries cannot be repaired.

3. Strict compliance with the following simple maintenance measures will insure maximum life of batteries now in use and in turn will conserve existing stocks of this critical item:

a. Operational Check. A visual inspection of the battery should be made by the driver when making after-operating checks, to see that it is clean, secure, and not leaking.

b. Weekly Check. At least once a week the following steps should be taken when checking a battery:

(1) Clean as much of the battery as possible without removing from battery carrier. It is particularly important to keep the top of the battery clean.

(2) Inspect the terminals and clamps. Clamps should be secure and make full contact with the terminal posts. Remove any corrosion and then apply a coating of petrolatum or light grease.

(3) Unscrew vent plugs. Inspect vent plugs to see that the vent holes are open. Run a short length of stiff wire through the plugs to clean out dust or dirt which may have clogged the holes.

(4) Inspect the battery hold-downs to insure that battery is held tightly in the carrier. See that case is held evenly to prevent chafing and cracking.

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(6) Add water if necessary. Every effort should be made to add distilled water, or if unavailable use drinking water free from sediment, crystal clear, odorless and tasteless. Slightly impure water is better than no water at all.

4. Look at the ammeter often. If the ammeter fails to register a charge, or indicates that the battery may be overcharging, check the charging circuit immediately. If the battery uses water in an appreciable amount, it is usually an indication that the battery is being overcharged.

5. All units storing and/or maintaining batteries should exercise the utmost care in handling and storing, in order that the case and cell covers do not become cracked or the posts loosened.

6. For more detailed procedures see War Department TB ORD 67 dated 18 March 1944, subject: "Storage Batteries."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AFO 887,
30 March 1945.

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SUBJECT: Permission for Army Personnel to Reveal Red Cross Club Locations.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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1. Letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 21 April 1944, is rescinded.

2. Personnel authorized to use the US Army Postal Service may, in correspondence directed to points within the European Theater of Operations only, designate or suggest as meeting places:

a. Any city, town, place or locality, provided that it is more than twenty-five (25) miles from the writer's

(1) Unit location.

(2) APO location.

b. Regardless of distance from the writer's unit or APO, any of the cities listed below:

(1) Paris

(2) Brussels

(3) Marseilles

(4) London

(5) Belfast

c. A Red Cross service club anywhere within the theater.

3. In writing such letters, writers are directed to carefully omit references to:

a. The ease or frequency with which they find it possible to visit the designated place.

b. Any other indication of the distance, direction or time of travel from the writer's location to the designated meeting place.

4. This information will be disseminated to all personnel under your command.

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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 1 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution:

For your information.

By command of General SPAATZ:

J. B. Gordon
J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGC,
Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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30 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Discontinuance of Allotment Forms

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

The following message form from Hq ETOUSA is forwarded for your information and compliance:

Reference is made to Paragraph 9c, Circular 123, this Headquarters, 22 December 1944. Inform all concerned that the last sentence of the cited paragraph should be changed to read: "Discontinuance Forms should reach the Allotments Branch on or before the 10th of the month in order to be properly processed".

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg

THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Office of the Commanding General
APO 374 U S Army

31 March 1945

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SUBJECT: Removal of Property from civilian premises.

TO : Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (PROV),
APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. Furniture, furnishings or fixtures found in buildings occupied for military purposes, or in unoccupied or damaged buildings will not be removed. Property of this nature that may now be in the possession of units or individuals will be returned at once to the place from which it was taken.

2. An inventory of furniture, furnishings and fixtures will be made at the time of occupancy of any civilian premises, a copy of which will be retained in the organization file. When occupancy is relinquished, an inventory will again be made to insure that all articles appearing in the original list will be left behind. A clearance will be secured from the military agency authorizing occupancy, or from the owner or lessor. The original copy of clearance will be kept in the organization file.

3. When administrative inspections are made, the organization record will be examined to insure that the procedure prescribed herein is being properly adhered to.

/s/ Robert M. Webster
/t/ ROBERT M. WEBSTER,
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS, I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV), APO 374, U. S. Army,
4 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and guidance.

E. C. Langford
E. C. LANGFORD,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Office of the Commanding General
APO 374, U.S. Army

31 March 1945

SUBJECT: History of Units of First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

TO : CC's and CO's, All Units, this Air Force.

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1. The events of March on the Western Front are already a part of the world's history. All the units of this French-American Air Force have played unforgettable roles in the great Rhine campaign, for even an approximate parallel to which we must go back to Napoleon's German campaigns of 1805 and 1806. Let us be sure now, while we are close to the event, that the part taken by each unit is accurately, carefully, worthily described in the current unit histories.

2. Commanders of all organizations under my command are requested to review the intent and provisions of existing historical directives emanating from Washington and from this headquarters, to the end that our record may be well kept, our story well told.

3. Every unit has had its difficulties, made its errors, and shared in the splendid results. This is true not only of the tactical units, which have actually gone into battle, but also of the commands and wings, which have had the task of foreseeing and planning; of the ancillary units - photo intelligence detachments, fighter control, ferrying, and liaison squadrons; and of the service units - air service, station complement, air depot, engineer, ordnance, quartermaster, signal, medical, air communications, weather, postal, chemical, and military police organizations.

All have contributed. All have added illustrious paragraphs to their own histories and to the history of the French and American Air Forces. In justice to itself and to this Air Force each unit must review and record its history in these climactic days in such a way as to portray accurately, and with perspective and color, the sum of its activities.

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4. This is no time for perfunctory historical reports, based on mere compliance with the letter, as opposed to the spirit, of existing directives. Skeletal outline histories prefixed to war diaries consisting of sketchy, unassimilated entries are not enough. In addition to such basic material, there must be connected, well-written, interpretive narratives, containing values not to be found in reports submitted to other sections of this headquarters. Unit commanders are urged to put their wider knowledge at the disposal of personnel working on the histories and to write interpretively themselves on the difficulties, the mistakes, the morale, and the triumphs of their organizations. Our results speak for themselves. There is no need to gloss or omit the truth, even if it seems, at first blush, embarrassing. "A record of experience" is wanted - a record of things as they actually were and are. If this ideal is adhered to, our histories will be of permanent value to all future students of air warfare.

5. Many of our units, both French and American, have splendid histories that go back unbrokenly to the First World War. In the present war we have fought on the same side, through many bitter campaigns, from bases as far apart as Dakar and the English Midlands, without knowing one another until brought together under our present Air Force. Unit commanders, historians and other qualified personnel are now urged to attempt comparisons between operations, tactics, living conditions, and organizational problems in these other campaigns and in the Rhine campaign of 1945, for the idea of change in ideas and tendencies is of the essence of history.

6. Let us also have well-arranged, and annotated pictures and maps. Let us tell the story of some of our representative or exceptional men. Let us tell where and how we have lived. And let us support our narratives by careful attention to documentation.

7. The historical program in this inter-Allied Air Force has my deep personal interest. The histories of the 365th Fighter Squadron (of the 358th Fighter Group), of Groupe Bretagne (of the 31st Escadre), of the 113th Antiaircraft Air Warning Battalion, and of the 310th Service Group have aroused great interest at this headquarters. It will be a source of pride and satisfaction to us all if our histories represent us truly.

Robert H. Webster
ROBERT H. WEBSTER,
Major General, U.S. Army,
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Office of the Commanding General

APO 374, U. S. Army

31 Mars 1945

OBJET : Histoire des Unités du First Tactical Air Force
(Prov)

DESTINATAIRES: Généraux et Officiers commandant toutes les Unités du First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Les événements de Mars sur le Front de l'Ouest font déjà partie de l'Histoire Mondiale. Toutes les Unités du First Tactical Air Force (Prov) ont joué un rôle inoubliable au cours de la grande campagne du Rhin et, pour retrouver des faits analogues, il faut remonter aux campagnes de Napoléon, en 1805. Assurons nous maintenant, pendant que ces événements sont encore récents, que chaque unité, dans son propre journal, rapporte soigneusement et brièvement sa participation aux opérations.

2. Tous les Commandants d'Unités placés sous mon commandement sont priés d'étudier à nouveau le but et les dispositions des directives émanant de Washington ou du First Tactical Air Force (Prov), afin que notre souvenir puisse être conservé et notre histoire bien narrée.

3. Chaque unité a connu des difficultés, commis des erreurs, et gagné sa part des splendides résultats obtenus. Ceci est vrai, non seulement en ce qui concerne les unités tactiques qui ont effectivement pris part à la bataille, mais aussi pour les états-majors et les escadres dont la mission a été d'étudier et de prévoir pour les unités auxiliaires: détachements photos renseignements, fighter control, groupes de transports et de liaisons, et enfin pour les services: compagnies de ravitaillement et réparations, parc de campagne, génie, compagnies de ravitaillement, intendance, transmissions, service médical, génie, météorologie, poste militaire, services Z, police militaire.

Tous ont contribué. Tous ont ajouté des paragraphes illustres à leur propre histoire, et à l'Histoire des Ailes Françaises et Américaines - Par simple justice pour elle-même et pour le First Tactical Air Force (Prov.), chaque unité doit passer en revue sa propre histoire durant ces jours glorieux de façon à dépeindre avec précision, perspective et couleur l'ensemble de son action.

4. Les rapports historiques, hâtifs et superficiels répondent peut-être à la lettre mais non à l'esprit des directives. Ils ne doivent pas ressembler aux vagues banalités qui se vent habituellement d'introduction aux "Journaux de guerre". En plus de ces principes fondamentaux, les récits doivent pré-

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-senter une certaine homogénéité, être bien écrits, suggestifs, contenir des anecdotes qui ne peuvent, ordinairement, être mentionnées dans les rapports fournis aux autres sections du First Tactical Air Force (Prov). Les commandants d'unités sont instamment priés de mettre leur entière connaissance des faits, la disposition du personnel des sections "Histoire" et d'écrire eux-mêmes sur les difficultés, les erreurs, le moral et les victoires de leurs unités. Nos résultats parlent d'eux-mêmes. Ce n'est pas la peine de faire de commentaires ou de cabler la vérité, même si, au premier abord, on éprouve quelque embarras. "Un enregistrement des faits" est demandé - un enregistrement des choses telles qu'elles étaient, telles qu'elles sont réellement. Si nous persistons dans cette voie, nos histoires auront un intérêt permanent pour tous les futurs apprentis de la guerre aérienne.

5. Un grand nombre de nos unités, françaises et américaines, ont de splendides histoires qui remontent à la première Guerre Mondiale. Dans la guerre actuelle, sans nous connaître, jusqu'à ce que nous soyons rassemblés dans notre présent Air Force, nous nous sommes battus du même côté, à travers de nombreuses et dures campagnes, depuis des bases aussi éloignées les unes des autres que Dakar l'est de Midlands. Je demande aux commandants d'Unités, aux Historiens et autre personnel qualifié d'établir des comparaisons entre les opérations tactiques (conditions de vie, problèmes d'organisation) des campagnes passées, et celle du Rhin en 1945. L'évaluation du changement des idées et des tendances est l'essence même de l'Histoire.

6. Il faut aussi que nous ayons de belles illustrations et des cartes annotées. Racontons l'histoire de quelques-uns de nos hommes, les plus représentatifs, les plus exceptionnels. Disons où et comment nous avons vécu, et complétons nos récits par une attention toute particulière à la documentation.

7. J'attache personnellement la plus grande importance au programme historique dans cet Air Force Inter-Allié. Les récits du 365th Fighter Squadron (du 358th Fighter Group), du Groupe Bretagne (de la 31ème Escadre) du 113th Anti-Aircraft Air Warning Battalion, et du 310th Service Group ont soulevé un grand intérêt dans l'Etat-Major du First Tactical Air Force. Ce sera pour nous une source de fierté et de satisfaction si l'Histoire nous représente tels que nous sommes.

Robert M Webster
Robert M WEBSTER
Major General U.S. Army
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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1 April 1945

SUBJECT: Completion of Semi-annual Efficiency Reports

TO : Commanding Generals, Commanding Officers, All Units, this Air Force.

1. Transmitted herewith in sufficient numbers for accomplishment on all officers in your organization are copies of the revised "D AGO Form #67, Efficiency Report.

2. Immediately upon receipt, action will be initiated to complete semi-Annual Efficiency Reports in accordance with the provisions of AR 600-185, dated 15 November 1944, Circular #11, European Theater of Operations USA, and letter this headquarters, subject: "Supplementary Instructions for Preparation of Efficiency Report," dated 14 March 1945.

3. Efficiency Reports will be submitted in accordance with paragraph 13 of AR 600-185. All reports on officers below the rank of colonel are to be forwarded directly to The Adjutant General by the headquarters accomplishing the First Indorsement.

4. A report will be submitted on or before 30 April 1945, listing by grade, name, and unit, those officers on whom Efficiency Reports have not been rendered. A brief statement will be made for each officer as to the reason for not completing Efficiency Report; estimated date of completion will be indicated. After this initial report, a report will be submitted every fifteen days until a final negative report is rendered.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Bryan
T. J. BRYAN,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AGO 887
2 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Currency Secured from Unlawful Sources.

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

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Paragraph 4, letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above,
dated 15 March 1945, is amended to read:

"4. Finance officers will make an individual record with respect to each currency exchange transaction executed on behalf of any person below commissioned field grade, which falls within such category as will be defined from time to time by the Fiscal Director, this headquarters. At the close of business each day, such individual records will be delivered or mailed to the unit commander concerned, for his information and consideration in connection with the unit record, of fund transmittals."

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/ R. B. Lovett,
t/ R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 3 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For information.

By command of General SPAATZ:

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J. R. GORDON,
Colonel, AGO,
Actg Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APC 887
8 March 1945

AG 333.1 OpGD

SUBJECT: Inspection of Requisitioned Real Estate by Owners in Liberated Countries.

TO : Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

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1. Owners or their representatives, private or governmental, are to be permitted to make inspections of their real estate during occupancy by US forces for the purpose of ascertaining its conditions.

2. Visits shall be permitted only at such times as will not interfere with the activities of the occupying unit. It will be the responsibility of the occupying unit commander to take proper security measures.

3. This permission will apply only in liberated countries, and under no circumstances will it be granted in Germany.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LISLEBOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. Lovett
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

1st Ind.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APC 633, US ARMY, 14 March 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and guidance.

By Command of Lieutenant General SPATZ:

s/J. E. Gordon
t/J. E. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
ASST Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, US ARMY, 4 April 1945

TO: C. G.'s and C. O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 374, U. S. Army.

For your information and guidance.

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan

T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD.,
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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

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AFO 887
4 April 1945

AG 004 OpGA

SUBJECT: Prohibition Against "Engaging in Business".

TO : Commanding General,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. It is the policy of the Theater Commander that personnel subject to military law in this theater shall not, so far as can be avoided, disturb the economy of the liberated countries nor use their presence here in order to obtain or to lay plans to obtain any commercial advantages for themselves or for others.

2. Pursuant to this policy, all personnel subject to military law are prohibited from "engaging in business" in this theater.

3. The term "engaging in business" is defined to include:

a. Buying, selling or dealing in securities, except savings bonds regularly purchased from the issuing government; postage stamps; real estate; or any kind of property in this theater for present or future personal profit or investment. (As to dealing in currency, reference is made to letter, this headquarters, AG 121 OpGA, subject: "Prohibition Against Circulating, Exporting, or Exporting United States and British Currencies in Liberated and Occupied Areas and Certain Transactions Involving French Currency Except Through Official Channels", dated 23 September 1944).

b. Acting as agent, intermediary or conduit in any business transaction for gain in this theater for any person, firm or corporation, wherever located or planned to be located.

c. Using the Army Postal System or other Army Communications system for sending or receiving communications relating to any unauthorized business transacted, or to be transacted, in this theater.

4. The types of activity enumerated below are specifically permitted, notwithstanding the foregoing prohibition:

a. All personnel are permitted to engage in such business transactions as are required by their official duties in behalf of the Army or the United States Government.

b. Technical representatives, technical observers, war correspondents, and other civilians accredited to this theater for specific duties are permitted to carry out those duties.

5. Any other exceptions will be made only by authority of this headquarters.

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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL EISENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General.

1st Ind.

HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US ARMY, 7 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and necessary action.

By command of General SPAATZ:

B. Gordon
J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Actg. Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

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4 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Application for Emergency Return to the United States.

TO : C.O.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. All previous instructions issued by this headquarters regarding application for emergency return to the Zone of Interior are hereby rescinded.

2. All applications for emergency return to the Zone of Interior under the provisions of paragraph 19b, Section IV, WD Circular 8, 6 January 1945 will be forwarded in accordance with instructions contained in Circular 21, Hq, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, dated 18 February 1945. Strict adherence to these instructions is desired in order that time and effort will be saved. Particular attention is invited to Annex A of cited ETOUSA Circular which outlines the procedure upon which the Red Cross reports are based.

3. Teletype or cable messages are not deemed as complying fully with instructions contained in ETOUSA Circular 21, and in no instance will applications be forwarded outside of command channels.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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SUBJECT: Personnel Audit and Inspection Teams for Implementation of Redeployment Plans.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

SECTION I - GENERAL PLAN

1. To meet personnel requirements relating to the redeployment of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) units upon termination of hostilities in this theater and to perfect personnel records of units scheduled for overseas movement, personnel audit and inspection teams will be established within each command of this Air Force.

2. Personnel audit and inspection teams will be constituted on a permanent basis and will comprise one (1) classification officer and three (3) enlisted men, specialists in classification and maintenance of personnel records. When practicable, periodic rotation of audit and inspection team personnel should be made. Each command will be responsible for assembling one (1) personnel audit and inspection team for inspections within their command. Subordinate units will be adequately advised of this program so that preliminary preparation can be made.

3. Teams will be established immediately and inspections will begin as soon as possible. Action necessary to correct any discrepancies noted by the audit and inspection teams will be initiated immediately by the unit concerned. On the 10th of each month a copy of the findings and recommendations of the personnel audit and inspection teams for each organization and unit inspected during the preceding month will be forwarded to this headquarters.

SECTION II - SOP FOR PERSONNEL AUDIT TEAMS

1. Maintenance of Personnel Records.

a. Inspect maintenance of personnel records including WD AGO Forms 20, WD AGO Forms 66-1 and 66-2, Forms 127 WK, unit informational rosters, MRU rosters and special sections of Service Record.

(1) Use check list attached.

(2) Examine each Form 20 individually, not by spot check.

(3) Particular attention to information required by Circular 111, European I of Opns USA, 15 November 1944.

b. Verify by fair sampling, agreement between information contained in Forms 20 and similar information prescribed for entry in Service Record.

c. Service Records will be checked in accordance with AF 12-250, 18 October 1944.

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d. Designate Forms 20 to be remade.

e. In the event that corrective action cannot be adequately or expeditiously taken, personnel audit teams will assist in perfecting records.

2. Classification and Reporting.

a. By examination of informational rosters and Forms 20, supplemented where necessary by re-interview, appraise the utilization of manpower, making record of malassignments, enlisted men misclassified or improperly reported. When necessary, corrective action will be effected by personnel audit teams.

- (1) Report to appropriate higher headquarters names of enlisted men who cannot be utilized within their unit by reason of unauthorized MOS and who cannot be appropriately reclassified.

b. Determine authenticity of reporting and proper designation of Primary MOS.

- (1) Verify MOS totals recorded on Forms 20 and appearing in informational rosters against Form 127-UK and IRU rosters.
- (2) Check classification and reporting of MOS authorized for AAF use in accordance with AAF Manual 53-1.
- (3) Determine that conversions of unauthorized MOSs have been accurately made and correctly referenced.

c. Determine judiciousness of Board reclassification action by examination of a fair sample of reclassification papers.

d. Determine why enlisted men rated semi-skilled for over three (3) months have not been upgraded.

e. Determine that adequate utilization has been made of unit classification specialist and that he is properly qualified.

f. Be prepared to administer GGTs on the spot when necessary.

3. Redeployment Check.

a. Determine unit's arrival date in this theater.

b. Determine that IRU rosters contain all information necessary to complete Adjusted Rating Service Card, WD AGO Form No. 163, which has been distributed in compliance with Section II, Circular 25, Hq Europ T of Opns, USA, 5 March 1945.

c. Collect data relative to number of personnel on hand in selected categories based on length of overseas service and other considerations.

d. Where applicable, run an analysis of Form 127-UK against reporting guides prepared from T/Us of type units to be reconstituted.

e. Be prepared to effect lateral transfer of enlisted men at the group

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level, to make recommendations to higher headquarters for transfer of coverage personnel at wing, command or Air Force level and to specify actual unit personnel requirements.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Koenig
THOMAS G. KOENIG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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CHECK LISTS FOR MAINTENANCE OF WD AGO FORM NO. 20, 720, & 66-1

PART 1 - OFFICER'S QUALIFICATION CARD-WD AGO FORM NO. 66-1 (Standard procedure for WD AGO Form 66-2 will be found by reference to Sections VII and K, AAF Manual 35-1.)

ARM OR SERVICE. (Item 3).

1. Is the word "NONE" entered in Arm or Service for Warrant Officers, except those appointed as Band Masters, ("NONE" for Band Masters in BRANCH IMMATERIAL organizations), or in the Army Mine Planters Service?

2. Do RA, CRC, or NG officers show Arm or Service in which originally commissioned?

3. Is Arm or Service of officers initially commissioned in AUS (not in a branch) changed when transferred from one arm or service to another?

WAR SERVICE (Item 9).

4. Is War Service entry limited to 6 April 1917 through 11 November 1918? See Remarks (Item 31) for enlisted war service and service before or after 6 April 1917 and 11 November 1918.

LIMITED SERVICE (Item 11).

5. Is "Limited service" status indicated by a check showing physical disability?

SERVICE OR RESIDENCE OUTSIDE U.S. (Item 12).

6. Is residence or military service outside the continental limits of the U.S. prior to 7 December 1941 reported by country and total amount of time spent there in years and months?

7. Is the name of the country, used in recording foreign residence or military service, that used prior to 1935?

8. Is the date of appointment or commission accurately recorded?

9. Is the policy of entering "T" before temporary promotions in AUS abandoned?

RECORD OF SERVICE (Item 15).

10. Has the title or section reading "Only principal duty of 3 months or more duration" been changed to read "Only principal duty"?

11. Are manner of performance entries recorded under the following categories (for periods of not less than 1 month), (a) when there is a change in principal duty, (b) when officer or reporting superior is transferred, (c) on 30 June and 31 December of each year (if no rating in previous 3 month period), (d) when efficiency report is rendered?

12. Are manner of performance entries made for periods of less than one month: (a) for meritorious performance of duty or lack thereof; (b) when nature of duty has direct bearing on future duty assignment?

13. Are manner of performance ratings entered only by "SUP" for superior, "EX" for excellent, "VS" for very satisfactory, "SAT" for satisfactory, and "U" for unsatisfactory?

14. Are manner of performance ratings followed by the authenticating initials of entering officer?

15. When an efficiency report is rendered on an officer for any reason is a corresponding manner of performance rating entered in Item 15 (Record of Service) with the notation "ER" made under "Date" column and preceding inclusive dates for which report was rendered? Subsequent efficiency reports or manner of performance will not be rendered to cover same period.

16. Is the type of duty entered? A principal duty with a descriptive title either listed in AAF Manual 35-1 or readily convertible to titles contained therein?

17. Are all descriptive titles mentioned in Question 16 followed by a four

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digit code. of AAF Manual 35-1 which most nearly approximates type of duty performed?

18. Are pencilled entries (Ref. 16 and 17 above) made upon assumption of duty, and completed in ink when manner of performance is recorded?

19. Are entries made relative to refresher course schools attended by pool officers but with NO manner of performance rating?

20. Has a pool officer, who is attached to a specific organization and who performs a principal duty for 30 days or more, been given a manner of performance rating?

21. Has an entry been made for prisoners of war with date and name of country capturing or holding officer prisoner? On next line, has entry been made showing manner in which he returned and his eligibility for further combat duty against enemy capturing him? Examples: (a) 7 June 1944 - Germany - Prisoner of War, (b) 26 July 1944 - Escaped to U.S. Army - Full Combat Duty.

Note: (1) Wounded and sick POW of Germany serve only in continental U.S. unless otherwise authorized by WD. (2) Records of captured men normally dispatched to AG Casualty Br., ETOUSA in compliance with Hq. ETOUSA Circular 94, 31 Aug 1944 -- entries ordinarily will not be made by units unless dispatch of records delayed under combat conditions and POW escaped during interval.

22. Is the last entry made that of final termination of service for any cause? Example: Rd in Action, 10 June 1944.

SPECIAL SERVICE SCHOOLS (Item 16).

23. Are Service Schools recorded with authorized abbreviations? LANGUAGES (Item 18).

24. Has Form 66-1 been reviewed and additional information on dialects been obtained from officers possessing linguistic ability?

MARITAL STATUS AND DEPENDENTS (Item 19).

25. Are marital status and number of dependents correctly recorded with appropriate changes made through periodic checks?

LEGAL RESIDENCE (Item 20)

26. If an officer has no permanent legal address, is name of firm, commercial bank, attorney or employer entered? (RA officers generally - The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C.)

EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (Item 21).

27. Are entries in pencil with periodic checks made to note changes? MAIN CIVILIAN OCCUPATION (Item 26).

28. Have job descriptions been clearly and accurately recorded with titles and codes entered in compliance with Sections 11 and 111, TM 12-405?

29. Are civilian codes of AR 605-90 (tentative), 19 January 1943 converted to codes listed in Section IV, TM 12-405?

Note: Officers' civilian occupational classification while not of greatest importance at present stage of operations, will be pertinent at time of separation from the service. Accurate record and correct titles and codes are therefore important.

30. When making changes outlined in Question 28 and 29, is reference to AR 615-26 lined out in SSN space and TM 12-405 substituted? No occupational dictionary code is needed.

31. When classifying RA, NG, CCC Administration, ROTC and RA enlisted men, has page 115, TM 12-405 been consulted for appropriate titles and codes?

QUALIFICATION IN MILITARY SPECIALTIES (Item 28).

32. Are code figures for officers' MOS in four digit figures with appropriate specification titles?

33. Are MOS awarded officers on (a) successful completion of a course in a general or special service school, (b) on-the-job training or duty assignment (VS or better in manner of performance), (c) civilian experience plus necessary military orientation or indoctrinations? Performance to be 30 days or more in (b) and (c).

34. Has it been noted that an MOS may be removed, (by lining out and initialing by responsible officer) if (a) it is in correct, (b) officer is no longer qualified,

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(c) manner of performance is unsatisfactory? Report removal to MRU.

35. Are pencilled entries made in military specialty titles and codes until officer demonstrates qualification?

36. Are additional MOS awarded officers for demonstrated ability in duties which have been performed simultaneously with principal duty?

37. Are MOS kept unchanged, even on those officers assigned to duty in a lower echelon of command than normally requiring primary MOS?

38. Are medical officers coded with appropriate prefixes (A, B, C, or D) to MOS indicating proper SGO classification groups?

39. When reporting of MOS is desired by MRU, is the most valuable to the Army reported regardless of present duty or latest recorded MOS?

40. Are Items 28 and 29 combined and entries of officers' military specialties now made chronologically in ink, as required?

41. In reporting casualties, is the assigned duty at the time of casualty, not MOS, entered in Battle Casualty Report? Duty code will be according to AAF Manual 35-1, and will be entered in the first half inch of remarks section of Battle Casualty Report. Use duty entry Item 15, Form 66-1.

42. Is printing in this section brief, concise, legible, of average typewriter size with elimination of unnecessary spaces between items of entry?

43. Are appropriate remarks entered on officers classified as general or limited service by a Medical Board? Limited Service entry should show physical defects in non-technical language and type of duty officer can be expected to perform. See also Question 5.

44. Is a concise statement made whenever an efficiency report other than semi-annual is rendered on a specific duty entered in Item 15 (Record of Service)? Example: Efficiency Report rendered for period 20 March 1944 to 17 May 1944.

45. When member of Army Specialist Corps or Warrant Officer is discharged to accept commission in AUS is concise information on length of service in above categories entered?

46. Are entries made as indicated below:

- a. On religious preference.
- b. On prior service as enlisted men. Example: 2 yrs Gp Sgt Maj.
- c. Authority to wear a particular service ribbon, battle stars and decorations.
- d. Participation in action, battle wounds, or other injuries from combat with enemies - all wounds not requiring hospitalization must be entered.
- e. Serial number of officers' identification card.
- f. Source of commission for other than RA or COS graduates.
- g. Date of departure for overseas service. Example: "Departed for overseas service 8 March 1944". Authority to wear service bars for periods of 6 months service overseas will be entered only upon arrival in the Zone of the Interior.
- h. Military service before 6 April 1917 or after 11 November 1918 up to the present emergency.
- i. Qualification in arms - weapons fired, date, course and qualification.
- j. Denomination of Chaplains.
- k. Enlisted service in first World War (Ref. Question 4).
- l. On repatriated prisoners of War, if for administrative reasons Form 66-1 not sent previously to AG Casualty Division.
- m. Reason for return from overseas if permanent change of station (most cases a medical statement).
- n. Attendance at command, wing, group or units schools (other than general and special)?

GENERAL:

47. Purpose of Maintenance - Have the general purposes for adequate maintenance of Form 66-1 been noted as outlined in Par. 29b, C-3, AR 345-5?

48. Marginal Punching Optional - Has it been noted that marginal punching of Form 66-1 is optional with commanders concerned?

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49. Ink Eradicator - Has it been noted when corrections on Form 66-1 are necessary, ink eradicator will not be used; a thin line will be drawn through the entry with correction date and initials of officer authorizing such change?

50. Report of Change to MRU - Whenever a principal duty or military occupational specialty of an officer changes, are appropriate remarks entered in Morning Report and on monthly Machine Records Rosters?

51. Remaking WD AGO Form 66-1 - Are Forms 66-1 remade as indicated below:

a. When the number of changes have become so great as to make the card illegible.

b. When the "Remarks" section has become completely filled.

c. When the card has become damaged through rolling, folding or creasing.

Entries concerning manner of performance of duties on the old or original card will be transcribed exactly as they appear thereon and the new card will be verified, indicating the date of preparation, by the officer having custody thereof. This certification will be entered under Item 30 of Form 66-1. For entries, follow policy for remaking Forms 20 as outlined in Par 6, Classification Memo No. 14. Make entries in remarks section brief, concise, legible, of average typewriter size with elimination of unnecessary spaces between items of entry.

52. Informational Roster, Officers - In units with large officer personnel, are informational rosters (with additional column for duty) similar to rosters for enlisted men prepared to facilitate accuracy and current upkeep of classification records.

53. Liaison - Is liaison between squadron or detachment orderly room and Unit Personnel Officer (if records are maintained there) established through carefully prepared and checked Morning Reports, MRU rosters and informational rosters, with changes entered on Form 66-1 whenever applicable?

54. When promoted to Brigadier General - To The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. (through channels prescribed by major commands).

55. When relieved from active service, dropped from records, death (except as casualty defined in Circular 46, Hq, ETOUSA, 22 April 1944) to The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. through channels as prescribed by major commands.

56. When a Battle Casualty - (killed in action, missing in action, died of wounds, died of injuries, captured, interned); to AG Casualty Division, Hq, ETOUSA through channels.

57. When a Non-Battle Casualty - (died, missing, interned-defined by Hq, ETOUSA Circular 94, 31 August 1944) to AG Casualty Division, Hq, ETOUSA, through channels.

58. When Hospitalized in Non-Combat Areas (except Parachutists) - (Upon transfer to detachment of patients after completion of 60 days hospitalization:

a. To commanding officer of hospital concerned upon receipt of orders transferring to detachment of patients.

b. If no orders for transfer to detachment of patients received within 65 after evacuation: to Central Records Branch, Casualty Division, AGO, ETOUSA, APO 871, Indorsement - "Transfer to Det of Pat., Hospital Unknown".

59. When Hospitalized in Combat Zone (except Parachutists) - (When determined patient to be hospitalized in fixed hospital for period in excess of five (5) days forwarded forty-eight hours after evacuation to Central Records Branch, AG Casualty Division (letter of transmittal will indicate location of officer concerned).

60. Upon transfer to another Theater, to U.S. or to another station - Form 66-1 to accompany officer.

61. When Warrant Officer is discharged to accept commission - Form 66-1 to be retained in service with appropriate changes made.

PART 2 - SOLDIERS' AND WAG' QUALIFICATION CARDS - WD AGO FORMS 20 AND 720

CITIZENSHIP (Item 4)

1. Is citizenship status changed on men naturalized since entering the armed service?

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MARITAL STATUS (Item 5).

2. Is the number of dependents recorded in arabic numerals?
3. Have recent marital and dependency changes been recorded?

EDUCATION (Item 8).

4. Are the number of years of school actually completed recorded, and the school of highest rating from which the EM graduated coded and punched?
5. Is successful completion of Army Institute Courses entered in Trade, Night or Business School column?

LANGUAGES (Item 9).

6. Is the ability to read and/or write a language properly recorded, coded and punched although the EM cannot speak it?

MAIN CIVILIAN OCCUPATION (Item 13).

7. Has civilian occupational code, if not listed in AR 615-26 been changed to "010" - Not elsewhere classified, and so reported to MRU when required?
8. Is the civilian occupation clearly and accurately recorded to insure maximum use in separation classification when soldier is discharged from service?

ARMY GENERAL CLASSIFICATION TEST (Item 16).

9. Has AGC Test been given and properly coded and punched?

SERVICE SCHOOLS (Item 22).

10. Does the Service School entry contain the name of the school, nature of course, length of attendance, rating and date of rating (regardless of whether or not the course has been completed satisfactorily)?
11. Are Command, Wing, Group, or unit schools entered in "Remarks" only?

ASSIGNMENT LIMITATIONS (LIMITED SERVICE) (Item 23).

12. Has it been noted that the term "limited service" with reference to enlisted men was discontinued 1 August 1943?
13. Do entries made for limited assignment personnel show: (a) Statement of the physical defect in plain, concise, non-technical language, (b) Recommended duty limitations, (c) Date and unit in which the limited assignment classification was effected?

CLASSIFICATION IN MILITARY SPECIALTIES (Item 27).

14. Are military occupational specialties awarded:
 - a. Through successful completion of a course of training at a training center or service school?
 - b. Through satisfactory performance of the duties and responsibilities of a MOS in a unit or installation for a period of sixty (60) days?
 - c. Through civilian experience when a counterpart of an MOS and when proficiency demonstrated to satisfaction of the commanding officer?
15. Are definitions of skilled and semi-skilled followed in awarding ratings in MOS?
16. Are military occupational specialties and skill ratings checked periodically through informational rosters to insure correctness?
17. Has it been noted that the entry of MOSs on Page 4 of the Service Record is no longer required?
18. Are enlisted men who acquire sufficient knowledge and skills to warrant classification in more than one MOS so rewarded?
19. Are MOS titles and codes entered exactly as prescribed by AAF Manual 35-1?
20. Is type of equipment entry on Form 20, issue of 1 September 1943, completed whenever possible? For forms 20 of older issue use date column to note type of equipment, placing date of qualification in the S Sk or Sk rating column.

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21. When consolidating MOS in Item 27 of Forms 20 are the elementary, repetitious or the ones in which no longer qualified eliminated first?

22. Do men properly retain their higher MOS although assigned to duty normally not requiring their highest MOS?

23. Is the practice of awarding an MOS merely to fill T/O requirements been discontinued and awards made solely on qualifications?

REMARKS (Item 28).

24. Is the qualification in arms properly recorded?

25. Has it been noted that statements of religious preference will not be entered on Form 20 but in S/R? Present entries will be completely inked out.

26. Are Command, Wing, Group, or unit schools entered in Remarks?

27. Are notations made on acquisition of citizenship; date of entry into U.S., date and place citizenship acquired?

28. Are all notations "ASTP Candidate", "Recommended for ASTP", "Not eligible for ASTP" lined out and initialed with reference to Section 1, WD Circular 206, 24 May 1944 as authority?

29. Is printing in this section brief, concise, legible, of average typewriter size with elimination of unnecessary spaces between items of entry?

RECORD OF CURRENT SERVICE (Item 29).

30. Are the records of current service in proper chronological order with present assignment, promotions and duty entered? Make the following entries:

a. Changes of duty within a unit.

b. Transfers to another unit.

c. D/S - station and duty performed if 30 days or more.

d. Notation of all overseas assignments. Example: 3380 Ord MAM Co, ETOUSA, 11 Jan 1944. (Entries will thus show tours of foreign duty - overseas assignments and dates).

e. Changes in grade - promotion or demotion, date, organization, new grade and duty (if promotion in same unit line out old grade and date and enter new. No notation of S.O. is necessary).

f. Current principal duty and SSN.

g. Attendance at school - indicate duty as "Student".

h. Hospitalization: Example: Detachment of Patients. ___th General Hospital "Patient".

i. Separation from service (or discharge) for any cause. Examples: Commissioned 2d Lt., 10 July 1944; Missing in Action, 20 July 1944.

Note: (a) If consolidation of Item 29 is necessary in remaking card, eliminate promotion entries first, (b) insure that duty entry in Item 29 justifies MOS entry in Item 27 except for MOS obtained through civilian experience or military schooling.

31. Has an entry been made for prisoners of war with date and name of country capturing or holding EM prisoner? On next line has entry been made showing manner in which he returned and his eligibility for further combat duty against enemy capturing him. Examples: (a) 7 June 1944 - Germany - Prisoner of War, (b) 26 July 1944 Escaped to U.S. Army - Full Combat Duty.

Note: (1) Wounded and sick POW of Germany, service only in continental U.S. unless otherwise authorized by WD. (2) Records of captured men normally dispatched to AG Casualty Branch, ETOUSA - entries ordinarily will not be made by units unless dispatch of records delayed under combat conditions and POW escaped during interval.

32. Has it been noted that records of confinement prior to or during military service will NOT be entered on the Form 20?

Note: Detention Training Centers, American Military Prisons will not make entries in record of current service. Proper place for entries is the Service Record. Entries now appearing on Forms 20 will be completely inked out, or card remade eliminating them.

33. In reporting CASUALTIES, is the ASSIGNED DUTY AT THE TIME OF CASUALTY, NOT MOS, entered in battle casualty report? Duty code will be according to SSN, and

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titles listed in AAF Manual 35-1 will be entered in the first half inch of "Remarks" section of battle casualty report.

34. Whenever an MOS changes, are appropriate remarks entered in Morning Report and on monthly Machine Records Rosters?

GENERAL:

35. Purpose of Maintenance - have the general purposes for adequate maintenance of Forms 20 been noted as outlined in Par 29b, C-3, AR 345-5?

36. Informational Rosters, Enlisted Men - are informational rosters (with additional column for current duty) prepared to facilitate (a) accuracy in record keeping, (b) check of mal-assigned personnel?

37. Liaison - is liaison established between squadron orderly room and Unit Personnel office, if records are maintained there, through carefully prepared and checked Morning Reports, MU rosters and informational rosters for all changes in status to be entered on Forms 20?

38. Special Orders, Hospital - are special orders of hospitals, rehabilitation centers and convalescent camps marked for limited assignment personnel discharged to (a) replacement depots, (b) unit organizations, (c) evacuation to U.S.

39. Mal-assigned Personnel and Critical Specialists - are informational roster Inventory of Specialists, List of Scarce Civilian and Military Occupational Specialties (Sec 1, Cir 102, Hq, ETOUSA, 16 Oct 1944), checked periodically to determine mal-assigned and critical specialists within units?

40. Ink Eradicator - have custodians of Forms 20 noted that ink eradicator will not be used, but when corrections are necessary, a thin line will be drawn through the entries with correction date and initials of the officer authorizing such changes?

41. Coding and Punching - are periodic checks made on coding and punching? Cards of men transferred to detachments of patients of hospitals, all others transferred to replacement depots for reassignment should be checked thoroughly since depots often employ needling system and inaccurate punching may mean losses of skills. On Forms 20 issue of 1 Sept 1943 hole "32" Current Overseas Service will be coded and punched.

42. Morning Report - are all changes in duty, grade, MOS contained in morning report entered on Form 20 to insure status of personnel is current on all records?

43. Classification Specialists - have classification specialists been designated by this unit in compliance with Sec 1, WD Circular 321, 11 December 1943, and AAF Manual 35-1.

DISPOSITION OF FORMS 20:

44. When released from active duty.

a. CDD regardless of whether or not pension claim is made to appropriate Veterans' Administration facility with records as specified in Par 16a, C-4, AR 615-360.

b. Transfer to ERC or RA Reserve - to CG of Service Command in which is located place of residence designated by EM upon release from active duty.

c. Desertion, discharge to accept commission or deceased - to Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. through channels as prescribed by major commands.

d. All other EM released from active duty - to State Director of Selective Service having jurisdiction over discharged men.

45. When a Battle Casualty - (killed in action, missing in action, died of wounds, died of injuries, captured, interned) to AG Casualty Division, Hq, ETOUSA, through channels.

46. When a Non-Battle Casualty - (died, missing, injured) to AG Casualty Division, Hq, ETOUSA, through channels.

47. When Hospitalized in Non-Combat Areas except Parachutists. (Upon transfer to detachment of patients after completion of 60 days hospitalization):

a. To commanding officer of hospital concerned upon receipt of orders transferring to detachment of patients.

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b. If no orders for transfer to detachment of patients received within 65 days after evacuation - to Central Records Branch, Casualty Division, AGO, ETOUSA, APO 871. Indorsement: Transferred to Detachment of Patients, Hospital Unknown.

48. When Hospitalized in Combat Zones except Parachutists. (When it is determined patient to be hospitalized in fixed hospital for period in excess of five days) - forward forty eight (48) hours after evacuation to Central Records Branch, AG Casualty Division, APO 871.

49. When placed on D/S for more than 30 days - to accompany EM on D/S.

MAINTENANCE OF WD AGO FORM NO. 720 (WAC QUALIFICATION CARD)

50. Instructions for maintenance of WD AGO Form No. 720 are contained in Supp. AR 615-25 "Instructions for Womens Army Corps initial Classification", 31 Jul 1942. Items contained in check list for qualification cards of officer and enlisted personnel (Forms 66-1 and 20) will be applicable for officer and enlisted WAC personnel.

51. WAC enlisted personnel will use qualification card WD AGO Form No. 20 when supply of WD AGO Form No. 720 is exhausted.

REMAKING WD AGO FORMS 20 and 720:

52. Forms 20 and 720 will be remade:

a. When the number of changes have become too great to make the card intelligible.

b. When the "Remarks" section has become completely filled.

c. When the card has become damaged through rolling, folding, or creasing.

In remaking the qualification card, the enlisted man or woman will be reinterviewed to avoid perpetuating errors made on the original interview and to insure that the information on the new card presents an accurate up-to-date picture of their training, background and experience.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

C-M-4

4 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Application for Emergency Return to the United States.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. All previous instructions issued by this headquarters regarding application for emergency return to the Zone of Interior are hereby rescinded.

2. All applications for emergency return to the Zone of Interior under the provisions of paragraph 19b, Section IV, WD Circular 8, 6 January 1945 will be forwarded in accordance with instructions contained in Circular 21, Hq, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, dated 18 February 1945. Strict adherence to these instructions is desired in order that time and effort will be saved. Particular attention is invited to Annex A of cited ETOUSA Circular which outlines the procedure upon which the Red Cross reports are based.

3. Teletype or cable messages are not deemed as complying fully with instructions contained in ETOUSA Circular 21, and in no instance will applications be forwarded outside of command channels.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

ARO 887
7 Apr 1945

AG 241 x 250.4/1 MPCA

SUBJECT: Foreign Service Pay.

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
* * * *

1. Reference is made to Changes No. 1, 10 Jan 1945, to AR 35-1490, 15 Sep 1944, an extract copy of which is inclosed, and to Section III, Circular 484, War Department, 29 Dec 1944.

2. Effective 1 April 1945, officers charged with the preparation and certification of payrolls and pay vouchers of enlisted personnel, will, in the case of personnel so affected, show thereon all periods of removal from duty, under arrest, awaiting action of a general court-martial or confinement for an offense resulting in subsequent conviction, and all periods of confinement the result of a sentence of court-martial.

3. In accordance with par 10p(4), AR 210-10, 20 Dec 1940, (C 9, 26 Aug 43, and C 11, 18 Oct 1943), commanding officers will notify the disbursing officer concerned when an officer is removed from duty, placed under arrest, or is awaiting action of a general court-martial.

4. No action will be taken at this time to effect collection from, or reimbursement to, individuals for adjustment of accounts paid prior to 1 April 1945, which accounts included foreign service pay for any of the periods defined above.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL WESENHOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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Extract cy C 1, 10 Jan 1945, to
AR 35-1490, 15 Sep 1944.

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HQ US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 10 April 1945.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information.

By command of General SPARTZ:

J. B. GORDON;
Colonel, AGD.,
Actg Adj Gen

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

AR 35-1490
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FOREIGN SERVICE AND SEA DUTY--INCREASES IN PAY--OFFICERS, WARRANT OFFICERS,
AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL

Changes
No. 1

WAR DEPARTMENT
Washington 25, D.C., 10 January 1945

AR 35-1490, 15 September 1944, is changed as follows:

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6. Suspension from duty.--The period during which a member of the Military Establishment outside the continental limits of the United States is removed from duty, under arrest or awaiting action of a general court-martial, by reason of offense in connection with which he subsequently is convicted does not constitute a period of service "while on *** duty in any place beyond the continental limits of the United States or in Alaska," within the meaning of section 2 of the act of 16 June 1942 (par.1a), so as to entitle such person to the increase in pay authorized by said section for such periods of service. See 23 Comp. Gen. 978. Also see SPJGJ 1944/12996, 25 November 1944.
(AG 240 (2 Jan 45))

6½. Foreign service pay not subject to forfeiture.--In cases in which the sentence of a court-martial adjudges confinement and partial forfeitures, foreign service pay may not properly be considered as an element of pay subject to forfeiture. See SPJGJ 1944/12996, 25 November 1944.
(AG 240 (2 Jan 45))

7. Period during which entitled.--Increased pay for foreign service is payable from the date of departure from the United States and includes the date of return thereto. (See 21 Comp. Gen 932, 1050.) The date of departure is defined as the date on which vessel initially, with respect to a particular voyage, weighs anchor to proceed away from harbor or anchorage toward destination.
(AG 240 (2 Jan 45))

By order of the Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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7 April 1945

SUBJECT: Exposure to Aviation Gasoline.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. Information has reached this Headquarters of the recent death of a French Civilian working in a cleaning establishment serving Army Personnel. The probable cause of death in this case was lead poisoning induced by fumes from 100 octane gasoline used for cleaning purposes.

2. Leaded gas, either 100 octane or 80 octane, should never be used under circumstances stated above. It is well known that exposure over a long period of time will result in toxic absorption of lead. Commercial solvents, such as carbon tetrachloride may safely be used.

3. Attention is directed to letter European Theater of Operations, United States Army, file AG 463.7, OPGD, Subject: Use of Gasoline, dated 22 November 1944, letter United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, File 463.7, Subject: Precautions Necessary for the Safe Handling of Aviation Fuels, dated 18 November 1944, and pamphlet Office of the Surgeon, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Subject: Exposure to Aviation Gasoline, dated 13 November 1944.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
IN EUROPE
Office of the Commanding General

80-100

8 April 1945

USSTAF REGULATIONS)
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ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES

PERSONNEL RECORDS

In order that the Service Record may continually reflect a complete picture of the financial status of an enlisted man relative to flying pay, USSTAF REGULATIONS 80-10, 5 August 1944, is amended as follows:

a. Paragraph 20d, (REMARKS, FINANCIAL), of APPENDIX B, is amended by adding:

"When flying requirements have not been met a remark, substantially as follows, will be entered:

(Date) / Pd to include (Date), except flying pay, flying requirements not met.

"When flying requirements have been met a remark, substantially as follows, will be entered:

(Date) / Due EM flying pay from (Date)."

b. Paragraph 22, (INDORSEMENTS), of APPENDIX B, is amended by adding:

"For model remarks relative to flying pay see paragraph 20, (REMARKS, FINANCIAL), above, as amended."

By command of General SPANTZ:

E. P. CURTIS,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army,
Chief of Staff.

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HARRIS F. SCHERLER,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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8 April 1945

SUBJECT: Manpower - Reports.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Instructions contained in letter this Headquarters, dated
13 March 1945, File 322, Subject: Manpower - Reports are rescinded.

2. Reference is made to letter this Headquarters, File 322,
dated 23 January 1945, Subject: Manpower. Reports
required there-under will be prepared and forwarded in accordance
with this letter.

3. An analysis of White Enlisted Men in Non-Combat Units is
required monthly as of the 15th day of the month, to reach this head
quarters not later than the 10th day of the month. No report is re-
quired of units made up of colored Enlisted Men only. In the future
no report will be required of Combat Type Units and Combat Support
Type Units, a list of which is attached as Incl. #4.

4. The report will be submitted by each organization concerne
through normal channels. The following organizations will submit to
this Headquarters a consolidated report to include all appropriate u-
nits assigned or attached for administration:

Headquarters - First Tactical Air Force Service Command
Headquarters - VII Tactical Air Command
Headquarters - 42nd Bombardment Wing

Separate units, not assigned or attached to one of the above Head-
quarters, will submit reports direct to Headquarters, First Tactical
Air Force (Prov). Units submitting a consolidated report will list
on the reverse side all units included in the consolidation.

5. Detachments and personnel on DS will be reported by parent
organizations.

6. The report will be submitted on Form C-5, 1st TAC AF (Revi-
ed, 5 April 1945), Incl. #1, and will be submitted by line number only.

7. This report must balance. Lines 6 through 10 must equal
line 11 and lines 2 through 5 plus line 11 must equal line 1. Each
man will be included in only one category. All men over 31 years of
age should first be determined and the total number entered on line
and eliminated from the total men under examination. The men with

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excepted BSIs should next be determined and entered on line 4. After these two exceptions have been determined and eliminated the remaining men will be given the required physical examinations and will be reported in the applicable categories on lines 3, 5, or 6 through 10.

8. Regular Army personnel and WOs of the first three grades are not excepted and will be reported in the proper category. If they do not fall within any of the categories shown on lines 2 through 5, they will be included as eligible in the breakdown by grade. However, such personnel will be transferred to conversion training only on a voluntary basis.

9. Time is the essence of this report. The units making consolidations will arrange to obtain the information from reporting units in ample time to consolidate and forward so as to reach this Headquarters not later than the afternoon of the 18th day of the month. If necessary consolidating units may telephone the report to this Headquarters (Statistical Control, Ext 30), later forwarding a written confirmation. If the telephone is utilized the Statistical Control Code will be employed and the report given by line number only.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

4 Incls:

- Incl 1 - 1st WOC AF Form C-5.
- Incl 2 - Physical Standards.
- Incl 3 - List of Physical Specialties.
- Incl 4 - Combat Type Units and Combat Support Type Units.

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ANALYSIS OF WHITE ENLISTED MEN IN NON-COMBAT UNITS

Reporting Unit _____
Date _____

SECTION I

Line No	Type of personnel	Total
1	Total White Enlisted Men assigned to reporting unit. (Must agree with assigned personnel shown on Morning Report of the same date.)	
2	Number of Enlisted Men who have passed their 31st birthday.	
3	Number of Enlisted Men under 31 years of age found permanently physically disqualified for conversion training by standards set forth in "Detailed Physical Standards", Incl #2. (Note Former Ground Force Combat Personnel received as replacements will be shown on Line 2 or 3 automatically.)	
4	Number of Enlisted Men otherwise qualified but who possess "highly specialized skills", who are not in excess of minimum requirements, and who cannot be suitably replaced. A list of excepted SSNs is attached as Inclosure #3. (A breakdown by SSN of all personnel reported in this category will be shown in Section II of this report and the total shown in Section II must agree with the total on this line.)	
5	Number of Enlisted Men, otherwise qualified but temporarily physically disqualified for conversion training. Include in this category also Enlisted Men under charges awaiting trial by Court Martial and Enlisted Men otherwise qualified, but who are on DS and whose physical qualifications have not been determined. When men are on indefinite or extended DS, the unit to which they are assigned will request a physical examination and report by the unit to which they are attached, after which they will be included in the proper category on the home unit's report.	
	Number of Enlisted Men eligible for transfer to conversion training will be shown on the following lines, broken down by grades:	
6	Grades 1, 2, and 3.	
7	Grade 4	
8	Grade 5	
9	Grade 6	
10	Grade 7	
11	Total Eligible	
12	Cumulative total of men re-assigned to Ground Force Reinforcement for Conversion training since 1 January 1945.	
13	Cumulative total of limited assignment personnel received since 1 January 1945.	

SECTION II

List of SSNs and the total number of all personnel reported on Line 4, Section I, of this report.

Form 1st TAC AF, C-5 (Revised 5 Apr 1945)

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DETAILED PHYSICAL STANDARDS

1. For purposes of this action minimal physical standards and observations are:
 - a. Body proportions - No gross abnormality.
 - b. Eyes -
 - (1) Binocular vision (both eyes open) not less than 20/40 without glasses, provided the vision in the more defective eye is not less than 20/200 with out glasses and provided the defective vision is not due to active or progressive organic disease. The corrected binocular vision must not be less than 20/30.
 - (2) Soldier with a long standing uncorrected vision in the more defective eye of less than 20/200 (or uni-lateral anophthalmos) and who have an uncorrected vision in the opposite eye of 20/30 or better are eligible candidates.
 - c. Ears - The whispered voice must be audible at 15 feet.
 - d. Nose - Unobstructed nasal breathing.
 - e. Teeth - Adequate dentition (either normal or artificial) for mastication.
 - f. Muscles - Good development and tone.
 - g. Spine - A good range of mobility and absence of complaints are the most important factors. Slight lateral curvature in individuals between 18 and 30 is usually asymptomatic and should be disregarded. Gross deformity or marked loss of motion should lead to rejection.
 - h. Neck - Absence of visible disqualifying defects.
 - i. Heart - Adequate myocardial function is expressed by absence of dyspnoea, cardiac consciousness, arrhythmia, precordial pain or abnormal fatigue. Systolic murmurs without cardiac enlargement will not disqualify; diastolic and presystolic murmurs are disqualifying. Systolic blood pressure levels below 150 mm. and above 100 mm. and diastolic blood pressures below 100 mm. are acceptable.
 - j. Lungs - No evidence of gross abnormality to auscultation or percussion.
 - k. Abdomen - Absence of palpable masses or herniae.
 - l. External genitalia - normal.
 - m. Anus - Normal.
 - n. Extremities - Full motion, unlimited by pain, of all joints essential to performance as an infantry rifleman.
 - o. Psychiatric evaluation - Serious personality deviations, demonstrated through questions and observations, will disqualify.
2. Such laboratory tests as are required in support of the physical capacity of an individual under these requirements will be accomplished.

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LIST OF CRITICAL SPECIALTIES

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COMBAT TYPE UNITS

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Hq & Hq Sq Fighter Comd
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST PRACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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2 April 1945

SUBJECT: "Ordnance Material in Hands of Troops" Report.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Practical Air Force
(Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. Attached is sample form to be reproduced by units concerned. This form will be completed in duplicate and forwarded through command chain to Commanding General, I Practical Air Force Service Command (Prov), so as to arrive by the 15th of each month. Unit commanders will certify the correctness of the report.

2. a. All major items (except vehicles and ammunition) will be listed.

b. Item numbers are shown in secret letter, USSFAK, dated 4 January 1945 (file No. 319.1). Items will be listed in numerical sequence. Items not shown in above mentioned letter will be listed below numbered items.

c. Motor transport equipment (trawl sets, tow ropes, tow chains, etc) will be shown.

d. Each item of pioneer equipment (shovel, axes, etc) will be shown separately.

e. Figures under Column "3" are to be taken from respective T/B's and SFL's.

f. Authority for items shown in Column "4" will be shown on back of report.

g. Figures under Column "5" will be obtained from organization property book.

By command of Major General MESSELER:

J. J. Brogan
J. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, A.G.S.
Adjutant General.

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2 April 1945

SUBJECT: "Ordnance Material in Hands of Troops" Report.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. Attached is sample form to be reproduced by units concerned. This form will be completed in duplicate and forwarded through command channels to Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), so as to arrive by the 15th of each month. Unit commanders will certify the correctness of the report.

2. a. All major items (except vehicles and ammunition) will be listed.

b. Item numbers are shown in secret letter, USSEAF, dated 4 January 1945 (file No. 319.1). Items will be listed in numerical sequence. Items not shown in above mentioned letter will be listed below numbered items.

c. Motor transport equipment (trac sets, tow ropes, tow chains, etc) will be shown.

d. Each item of pioneer equipment (shovel, axe, etc) will be shown separately.

e. Figures under Column "3" are to be taken from respective T/E's and S/L's.

f. Authority for items shown in Column "4" will be shown on back of report.

g. Figures under Column "5" will be obtained from organization property book.

By command of Major General REEDER:

J. J. Brown
J. J. BROWN,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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9 April 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Front Wheel Suspension Units - Chevrolet
and Plymouth Sedans.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov
APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. It has been observed that the front wheel suspension units on a number of Chevrolet and Plymouth Sedans are wearing excessively due to lack of proper lubrication. Improper lubrication is most noticeable in the king pins; the upper and lower pivot pins and bearings which connect the steering knuckle support with the upper and lower control arms; the fitting which connects the lower control arm with the front cross member.

2. In order that the king pin may be lubricated thoroughly, it is necessary to raise the front wheels off the ground and rotate the steering wheel back and forth at the same time that lubricant is being forced into and around the king pin.

3. Thorough lubrication on the fitting which connects the steering knuckle support with the upper and lower control arms and the fitting which connects the lower control arm to the cross member can best be accomplished by placing a jack under the front cross member and raising and lowering the chassis while the wheels remain on the ground and lubricant is forced into the fittings.

4. Spare parts are not available for these front wheel suspension units and it will be necessary to deadline vehicles when these units are worn out.

5. Proper lubrication at least once every one thousand miles will prolong the life of these vehicles many thousands of miles.

6. Attention is invited to the attached drawing.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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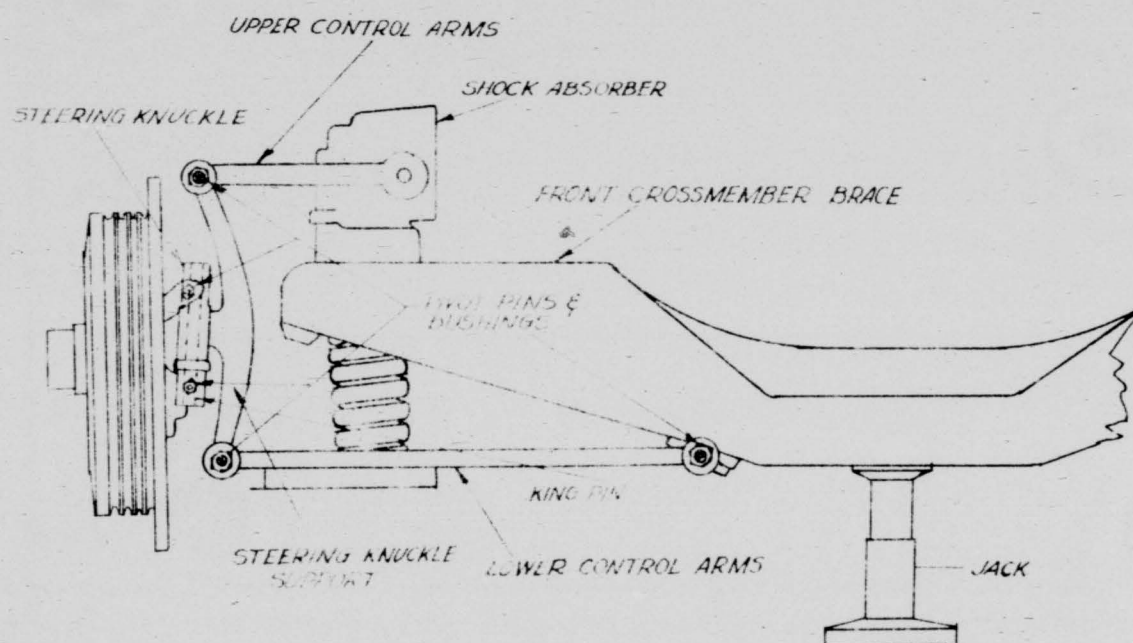
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10 April 1945

SUBJECT: Progressive Training for Better Citizenship.

TO : CG's and CO's, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. A course of training will be established immediately on duty time for all men who have not completed the fifth grade or the equivalent thereof. Teachers selected for this course should, wherever possible, be former teachers in civilian life.

2. Subjects to be taught are reading, writing and arithmetic. Each man will be taught to read and understand simple directives, to write simple letters and to add, subtract, multiply, divide and handle simple fractions.

a. The available texts, obtained through USAFI, are "Improve Your Reading", Books One and Two, and "Review Arithmetic". The instructor may introduce supplementary material that is pertinent to the course, if he so desires.

3. Since men who have not completed the fifth grade are extremely self-conscious of their lack of knowledge, this attitude will be respected. The course will therefore be known as "Progressive Training for Better Citizenship", and will not be referred to as a course for illiterates.

4. The Information-Education Officer will exercise constant supervision over the course, keeping in mind the points mentioned in paragraph 3 above.

5. A progress report as of the 15th and last day of each month will be forwarded to this headquarters, attention Special and Information Services Officer. This report will contain the individual progress of each student.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
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11 April 1945

SUBJECT: Establishment of Classification Boards.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. "Commanders of AAF Stations and headquarters at an administrative wing or higher level, will appoint a Classification Board. Members of the Classification Board will include the Station or headquarters Classification and Assignment Officer and one representative of the unit concerned in the reclassification procedure. Where practicable the Classification Board shall comprise a minimum of three members." (Paragraph 512, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.)

2. Paragraph 512, AAF Manual 35-1, dated 3 April 1944, as amended, is interpreted as authorizing commanding officers of separate groups and battalions to appoint a Classification Board when such groups and battalions operate in a capacity similar to station commanders.

3. The above interpretation does not sanction the appointment of a Classification Board within groups and battalions where such organizations are located at stations at which Classification Boards are already established.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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HEADQUARTERS
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11 April 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Report of Change in Status of Regular Army Officers.

TO : Commanding Generals:
I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)
XII Tactical Air Command
42nd Bomb Wing
Commanding Officers, All Separate Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. A roster of all Regular Army officers assigned to units of your command showing name, rank, serial number, arm or service, duty assignment and total length of overseas service since December 1941 and total overseas service in the European Theater as of 15 April 1945 will be submitted to reach this headquarters by 20 April 1945.

2. In order that this roster may be maintained up-to-date, any changes in the status of Regular Army officers assigned to units of your command, as of the fifteenth of each month, will be forwarded to reach this headquarters by the twentieth of each month. Negative reports will be submitted.

3. In subsequent reports it will not be necessary to include length of overseas service for officers previously reported. However, the length of overseas service of officers initially reported is desired.

4. The roster submitted as of 15 April 1945 will contain the current duty assignment of each officer. Thereafter only changes will be shown.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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12 April 1945

SUBJECT: WD AGO Form 20 - Soldier's Qualification Card.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In reference to rewriting WD AGO Forms 20, attention of all concerned is invited to the following:

a. Forms 20 will be remade only when the card becomes unserviceable, or when the items "Classification in Military Specialties", "Record of Service", or "Remarks" become filled. When such items are filled, the information contained therein will be carefully summarized.

b. Forms 20 will be remade under the direction of a personnel officer.

c. After verification by a personnel officer, the unserviceable or filled card will be destroyed. It will not be retained in organizational files.

d. There will be only one (1) Form 20 for each enlisted man. Organizations having detachments physically located at some distance from their headquarters may keep on file blue-bordered replacement cards or extract copies of the original Form 20, but such extract copies will not be made on WD AGO Forms.

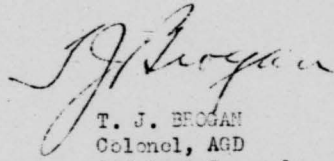
e. "True copies" of Forms 20 submitted for any reason with correspondence will be exact duplicate copies of the Form 20 and will be certified as "true copies" by a commissioned officer.

f. No Form 20 remade because of unserviceability or because it is filled will be a "true copy". Enlisted men concerned will be interviewed by competent classification personnel at the time the Form 20 is remade and such re-interview will be properly indicated on the new form.

g. Personnel remaking Forms 20, and officers verifying such cards, will be thoroughly familiar with the provisions of paragraphs 1041, 1042, and 1042.1 to 1042.32, Section X, AAF Manual 35-1.

2. Responsible personnel will be cognizant of the importance of maintaining complete, accurate and current Forms 20.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:


T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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12 April 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Personnel Records.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In order to insure that the Qualification Cards (WD AGO Form 20) of enlisted personnel are maintained up-to-date, attention of all concerned is invited to the following:

a. MOS of Former Ground Force Personnel - Qualification Cards of Limited Assignment enlisted personnel who have been transferred from Ground Force units to Air Force units will be reviewed immediately. Where further performance of duty in any MOS recorded on the WD AGO Form 20 is precluded by physical limitations, appropriate measures will be initiated to line out the MOS concerned. Each such deletion will be sanctioned by Classification Board action, properly initiated, and referenced to "Remarks", where a brief statement regarding the reason for the disqualification will be entered. The occupational skill and physical limitations of such personnel will be evaluated continuously and no unnecessary delay should be permitted to obstruct the prompt awarding of an MOS authorized for AAF use. Permanent entry of this MOS will be made in the appropriate section of the WD AGO Form 20 in strict accordance with instructions contained in AAF Manual 35-1.

b. MOS of "Grounded" Flight Personnel - Qualification Cards of enlisted men who have been disqualified for further duties requiring participation in flight will be reviewed immediately. Where MOSs requiring participation in flight are still recorded on such cards, appropriate measures will be initiated to delete such MOSs from the Form 20. Instructions in paragraph 1a above relating to appropriate procedure in case of such deletions will be observed. Due consideration will be given technical training in reassignment of such personnel.

c. Medals, Decorations, and Citations - The practice of entering in "Remarks" section of the WD AGO Form 20 the award of medals, decorations, and citations is unauthorized and will be discontinued. In compliance with current directives, such entries will be recorded in the Service Record concerned.

d. In compliance with instructions contained in WD TM 12-230, 18 October 1944, no further entries will be made on page 4 of the Service Record (WD AGO Form 24) in the "Military Qualifications" section.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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451.

13 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Reinforcement of Cylinder Head Rocker Arm Cover, Truck 2-1/2 ton, 6 X 6 (GFC), All Models.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army.

1. Reference is made to War Department Technical Bulletin TB ORD RE 13, same subject, dated 2 September 1944.

2. All technical information contained therein is reproduced for your compliance. Modification of Cylinder Head Rocker Arm Cover is to be completed as vehicles are given any form of maintenance at the earliest practicable date in accordance with procedure outlined below:

a. To prevent the cylinder head rocker arm cover nut from cutting through the cover, and the cover sides from spreading, allowing an oil leak, the following reinforcements can be applied as a field expedient:

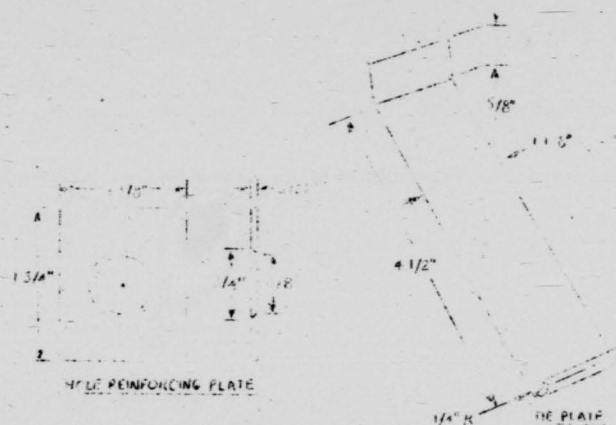


FIGURE 1 - HULL REINFORCING PLATE AND TIE PLATE.

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b. The two stud hole reinforcing plates can be made from 3/32-inch thick stock to the dimensions shown in figure 1. Drill a 5/8-inch hole in the reinforcing plates. Chamfer the hole from 5/8 inch on the bottom of the plate to 3/4 inch on the top to fit contour of the underside of cover. The plates are spot-welded in place as shown in figure 2.

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c. The side tie plate can be made from 3/32-inch stock to the dimensions shown in figure 1. The tie plate is positioned at mid-point of the cover, 2-1/2 inches from the bottom edge, and spot-weld in place (fig. 2)

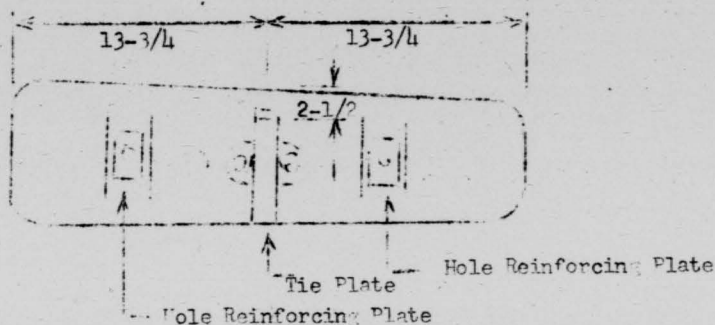


FIGURE 2-HULL REINFORCING PLATES AND TIE PLATES INSTALLED

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d. The cover is tene-plated to resist rust and it will be necessary to flow solder around the weld to replace the plate which will be burned away by the welding operation.

3. Since there are no kits available at present, new parts can easily be made from salvage material.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
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13 April 1945

SUBJECT: Classification of Enlisted Men.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In order to clarify some misunderstanding which may exist concerning reclassification of enlisted men, attention of all concerned is invited to the following:

a. "Classification board action is not required for the classification of an enlisted man in an additional MOS". (Paragraph 512, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.) However, classification board action is required to designate such additional MOS as the Primary MOS if a lateral or downward change of the Primary MOS is involved.

b. "Any MOS awarded to an enlisted man will be retained on the WD AGO Form 20 except in those cases in which the individual has proved unqualified to perform satisfactorily". (Paragraph 505.5, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.) All such deletions will be made only after classification board action.

c. "Classification Board action is mandatory in the case of a lateral or downward change in an enlisted man's PRIMARY MOS". (Paragraph 512, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.) Any change of MOS deemed questionable will be referred to a classification board for action.

d. "Assignment to a duty other than in an MOS entered on WD AGO Form 20 does not authorize a change in classification". (Paragraph 509, Section V, AAF Manual 35-1.) However, when in the opinion of the commanding officer concerned the enlisted man's proficiency in this duty becomes at least semi-skilled, an additional MOS may be awarded.

e. "THE PRACTICE OF FAILING TO GIVE A SOLDIER A MILITARY SPECIALTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH HIS SKILL MERELY BECAUSE THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THAT MANY OR SUCH SPECIALISTS, OR OF AWARDED A MILITARY SPECIALTY MERELY TO FILL A T/O VACANCY IS PROHIBITED". (Paragraph 1042.27, Section X, AAF Manual 35-1.)

f. Classification board action is required to change an enlisted man's rating from "skilled" to "semi-skilled". However, to upgrade an enlisted man from "semi-skilled" to "skilled" does not require classification board action. It is essential that the immediate superior of all enlisted men be continually contacted to ascertain when changes in degree of skill are to be effected.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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14 April 1945

SUBJECT: Classification of Officers.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In order to insure that all Officer's Qualification Records are brought up-to-date accurately and to insure that experience gained by officers of this command is recorded in such a way that assignment officers will be able to properly evaluate each individual's qualifications, attention of all concerned is invited to the following:

a. Form to be Used - "All officers assigned to the Army Air Forces, except Medical Department Officers, will be classified on Form 66-2 (AAF Officer's Qualification Record)". (Paragraph 702, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.) WD AGO Form 66-2 and WD AGO Form 66-3 (AAF Medical Department Officer's Qualification Record) will not be initiated in this theater, but will be utilized when officer has this record in his possession upon arrival in Europe of Opns. Where WD AGO Form 66-2 is not present, WD AGO Form 66-1 will continue to be maintained. References in AAF Manual 35-1 to Form 66-2 will be construed as applying equally to Form 66-1 where applicable.

b. Primary MOS - A Primary MOS will be designated on all Officer's Qualification Records by preceding the appropriate code number with the letter "P" in ink in parenthesis. All officers who have been awarded an MOS will be reported on AAF Form 127 in their primary MOS even though not currently assigned to duty in this MOS. For detailed information pertaining to the factors to be considered in selecting the Primary MOS, reference is made to paragraph 709, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.

c. Awarding Military Occupational Specialties to Officers - It is the policy of the Army Air Forces to award and enter upon Forms 66-1 and 66-2 all MOSs authorized for AAF use in which the officer is qualified by reason of demonstrated ability through successful on-the-job performance or successful completion of a technical course at a recognized AAF or Service School. In the latter event the MOS code and title ALONE will be entered in Section 33, the date and initials being subsequently supplied by the commander certifying the officer's demonstrated ability.

- (1) "When an officer is assigned to a duty for which he is not classified, he may be awarded the additional MOS appropriate to that duty when he has fully demonstrated his ability to perform the specialty in a manner 'Very Satisfactory' or better in the opinion of his commander. No additional MOS, however, will be awarded for less than thirty (30) days' performance in a specialty. The commander certifying the officer's demonstrated ability in the MOS will be required to initial the entry in ink." (Paragraph 708.1b, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.)

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- (2) "All MOSs in which an officer had performed for not less than ninety (90) days in a manner 'Very Satisfactory' or better prior to 1 January 1944, as entered on the Officer's Qualification Record (either Form 66-1 or 66-2) will be awarded to the officer immediately and entered in Section 33, Form 66-2. When such MOSs are not currently authorized for AAF use appropriate conversions will be made." (Paragraph 703.1a, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.) This entry will be followed by "Prior to 1 January 1944" and the initials of the officer recording the entry.

d. Withdrawal of MOSs - There are two usual occasions upon which an awarded or recommended MOS may be withdrawn from an officer and lined out from his records:

- (1) "An MOS will automatically be withdrawn by the commander whenever the officer's performance in that specialty is considered unsatisfactory." (Paragraph 711 a, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.)
- (2) "An MOS will normally be withdrawn when an officer is performing the duties of an MOS in a manner below 'Very Satisfactory'. Such withdrawal is authorized only to base or group commanders or commanders at higher echelons who may act upon recommendations for MOS withdrawal forwarded by subordinate commanders." (Paragraph 711 b, Section VII, AAF Manual 35-1.)
- (3) An MOS withdrawn in accordance with the above will be lined out completely with a single line and the word "Disqualified" entered together with the date and the signature and rank of the commander who initially recommended the approved withdrawal all in ink.

e. Officers Returning From Overseas - The reason for the return of all officers will be entered by the overseas commander on the Officer's Qualification Record if the return represents a permanent change of station. In addition, commanders will enter a recommended duty assignment on the Officer's Qualification Record by recording the recommended MOS code and title ALONE in Item 33 WITHOUT THE DATE OR INITIALS but with a brief statement pertaining to this recommendation under Remarks.

2. Responsible personnel will be cognizant of the importance of maintaining complete, accurate and current Officer's Qualification Records.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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451.

15 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Reinforcement of Cylinder Head Rocker Arm Cover, Truck 2-1/2 ton, 6 X 6 (GFC), All Models.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army.

1. Reference is made to War Department Technical Bulletin TB ORD WE 13, same subject, dated 2 September 1944.

2. All technical information contained therein is reproduced for your compliance. Modification of Cylinder Head Rocker Arm Cover is to be completed as vehicles are given any form of maintenance at the earliest practicable date in accordance with procedure outlined below:

a. To prevent the cylinder head rocker arm cover nut from cutting through the cover, and the cover sides from spreading, allowing an oil leak, the following reinforcements can be applied as a field expedient:

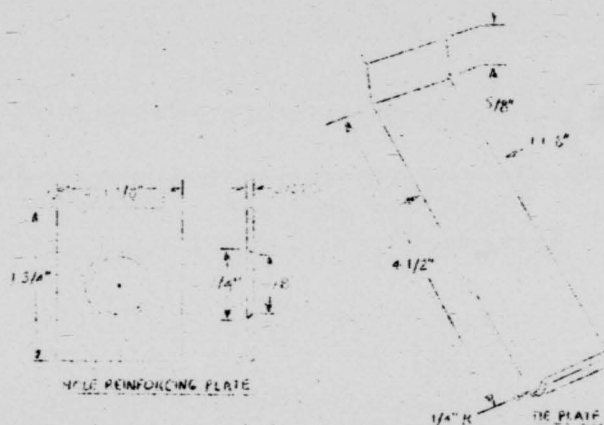


FIGURE 1 - HULL REINFORCING PLATE AND TIE PLATE.

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b. The two stud hole reinforcing plates can be made from 3/32-inch thick stock to the dimensions shown in figure 1. Drill a 5/8-inch hole in the reinforcing plates. Chamfer the hole from 5/8 inch on the bottom of the plate to 3/4 inch on the top to fit contour of the underside of cover. The plates are spot-welded in place as shown in figure 2.

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c. The side tie plate can be made from $3/32$ -inch stock to the dimensions shown in figure 1. The tie plate is positioned at mid-point of the cover, $2-1/2$ inches from the bottom edge, and spot-weld in place (fig. 2)

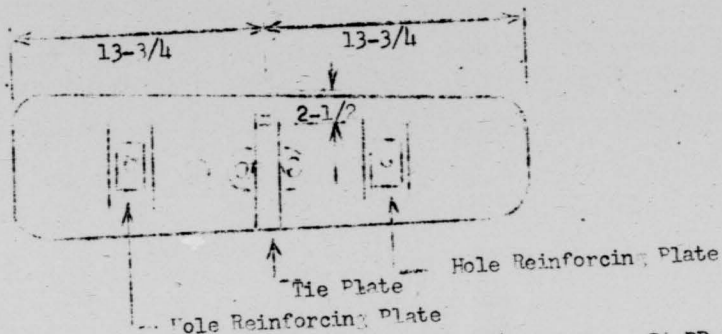


FIGURE 2-HULL REINFORCING PLATES AND TIE PLATES INSTALLED

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d. The cover is terne-plated to resist rust and it will be necessary to flow solder around the weld to replace the plate which will be burned away by the welding operation.

3. Since there are no kits available at present, new parts can easily be made from salvage material.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

C-C-2

210.711

16 April 1945

SUBJECT: Leaves and furloughs in Great Britain.

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

Letters, this Headquarters, file and subject same as above, dated 8 February 1945 and 15 February 1945, are rescinded.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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L-F-4

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18 April 1945

SUBJECT: Midshift Meals for Directly Employed Static Civilian Labor.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Cable FWD 18787, 8 April 1945 from SHAEF (Fwd) to Com Zone, Sixth, Twelfth and Twenty-first Army Groups emphasizes that midshift meals will only be supplied to static civilian labor when it is deemed essential to insure effective use of labor employed on military tasks. In no circumstances will midshift meals be provided as a measure of relief or as a reward. Subject to the above regulations, midshift meals may be provided for German civilian labor.

2. The following teletype from SHAEF (Fwd) is quoted for your information:

"YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO FOLLOWING SHAEF SIGNALS ADDRESSED TO RESPECTIVE ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS: FWD-18787 OF 8 APRIL, FWD-19107 OF 13 APRIL.

ONLY GERMAN FOOD SUPPLIES WILL BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE UNLESS SPECIFIC APPROVAL TO THE CONTRARY IS SECURED FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS."

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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19 April 1945

SUBJECT: Reports of Burial.

TO : See Distribution.

1. There has been considerable delay in returning completed Reports of Burial to the proper organizations. In many instances, this was caused by lack of information on the Report of Burial, as a result of which the Graves Registration Service forwarded the completed reports to other air forces.

2. In the future, complete unit designation will be shown on all copies of GRS Form #1 (Report of Burial) prepared for deceased First Tactical Air Force personnel. Designation will be shown by channel of command up to and including the air force.

Example: XII Fighter Sqdn, X Fighter Group, XII TAC, 1st TAC Air Force.

3. The first four lines of GRS Form #1 should be prepared by the organization in quadruplicate and delivered to the Graves Registration officer at the cemetery, who completes the forms and makes the necessary distribution. If the forms are not available to units, careful check should be made with the GRS officer who prepares the forms, to the end that all errors may be eliminated.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374

X-C-1

353.8

19 April 1945

SUBJECT: First Tactical Air Force Boxing Tournament.

TO : CG's and CO's, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. Letter, this Headquarters, file and subject same as above, dated 22 March 1945, is rescinded.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (AFV)
AFC 374

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210.451

21 April 1945

Subject: Report on Officers.

TO : Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (AFV), AFC 374,
U S Army.
Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, AFC 374, U S Army.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, AFC 374, U S Army.
Commanding Officers, All Separate Units, First Tactical Air Force (AFV).

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter headquarters, ETOUSA, subject as above, dated 12 April 1945, it is requested that a report as of 20 April 1945 be submitted to this headquarters giving name, rank, organization and location of officers assigned or attached to units and installations of your command in excess of authorized strengths.

2. Subject report will indicate combat crew personnel and non-combat crew personnel separately.

3. Request this report be submitted with least practicable delay.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

AG 210.711 x 220.711 MEM-GA

APO 887
23 Apr 1945

SUBJECT: Travel of Parents and Wives of Certain Military Personnel from
Ireland to England, Scotland, or Wales

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

* * *

1. Arrangements have been made with the British Home Office under which requirements for visas and exit permits for residents of Northern Ireland and Eire to enter Great Britain will be waived for two-week periods for parents and wives of military personnel who are on leave or furlough in Great Britain from the continent.

2. In such instances, the name of the officer or enlisted individual, and the name, relationship and address of the resident of Northern Ireland or Eire will be conveyed to the Commanding General, UK Base, together with the date of meeting and location, preferably an American Red Cross Club. All such information conveyed to the Commanding General, UK Base, will be unclassified unless the contrary is absolutely necessary. In this connection, attention is invited to letter, this headquarters, file AG 311.22 OpOC, subject: "Misuse of Army Communications", dated 14 March 1945.

3. The Commanding General, UK Base, will advise such parents or wives as to the place at which they are to be met and the date.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL BISHENOWER:

s/R. B. Lovett
t/R. B. LOVETT,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 27 Apr 45.

TO: See Distribution.

For your information and guidance.

By command of General SPANZ:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

25 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Monthly Form 127 Reports.

TO : Commanding Generals, Commanding Officers, All Units this Command.

1. The original and one copy of the Monthly Form 127 Report will be submitted to reach this Headquarters not later than 2 May 1945.
2. Copies of the Morning Report will be attached to check the balance of strength.
3. Reporting Guides will be followed. The Statistical Control Section, this Headquarters will be immediately advised if the pertinent Guide is unavailable.
4. Manning authority and Reporting Guide used will be indicated at the bottom of the Form.
5. Accuracy and neatness are considered essential requisites in the preparation of this Report.

B. command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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26 April 1945

SUBJECT: Status of Personnel.

TO : All Section Heads, this Headquarters.
CO's all units this station.

1. Request each section head this headquarters, and each unit commander, this station, submit to the Adjutant General, to arrive on or before 30 April 1945, a listing of the true status of each officer and enlisted man assigned to, or on duty with, their respective sections and units.

2. This list will be prepared to include the following information:

a. Name, Rank, Serial number, and status (ie. assigned--Detached Service or temporary duty) of each officer and enlisted man assigned, attached or on temporary duty with each section or organization.

b. The geographical location of each officer and enlisted man.

c. In the case of personnel away from this headquarters on temporary duty, a statement as to the geographical location of such temporary duty, and the date of return. For personnel on temporary duty with this headquarters, a statement as to date of departure.

3. Unit Commanders will include only those officers and enlisted men who are on duty with the squadron and not those personnel on duty with headquarters sections.

4. Section heads are requested to ascertain that every officer on duty with his section has reported to the Adjutant General's personnel section and has signed the officers register, and all future officer personnel reporting for duty with a section will have an assignment slip certifying that he has properly checked in with all record sections concerned.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

29 April 1945

SUBJECT: Uniform.

TO : CO's, All Headquarters Units and Chiefs of All Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

1. The following is quoted from General Orders No. 55, Hq, ETOUSA, 7 April 1945:

- "7. Wearing of Uniform. a. The smartness with which a uniform is worn is the most readily discernible indication of the soldier's pride in himself, his commander, his army and his country. Varying conditions within the theater preclude the detailed definition of the uniform to be worn. Nevertheless, uniforms will be well fitting and will be kept as neat and clean as local conditions will permit.
- (1) Overcoats and other outer garments will be worn buttoned.
 - (2) Rain covers for hats are not favored.
 - (3) The wool knit cap will be worn only with the helmet or helmet liner.
 - (4) Sweaters will not be worn as outer or visible garments.
 - (5) Parts of captured enemy uniforms will not be worn, nor will garments of other than the prescribed colors, materials or styles.
- b. It is the responsibility of the individual commander concerned to know the prescribed uniform and to insure that the personnel of his command, both officer and enlisted, conform thereto. Laxity as to the uniform is evidence of laxity in discipline." (AG 250 x 335 EdGA)

2. The uniform for personnel of this headquarters and attached units, will comply with the general rules set forth in the quotation above. Working clothing will be worn only when personnel is engaged in work which would soil the uniform. Emphasis will be placed on neatness and cleanliness of the uniform as well as the proper wearing thereof.

3. Flying clothing will be worn only by personnel authorized issue thereof. It will be worn only when on an air field or when flying.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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30 April 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Unliquidated Obligations

TO : CG's & CO's, All Units First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. A report of unliquidated obligations as of 30 April 1945, by Appropriation and Sub-Appropriation and divided as to those which have arisen from "formal contracts" and "others", in form substantially as used for regular Monthly Reports of Obligations, will be forwarded so as to arrive at this Headquarters by 6 May 1945.

2. Negative reports will be submitted if applicable by those organizations authorized to incur such obligations.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Message from General Arnold.

TO : All Units, Attached to this Headquarters.

The following message from General Arnold, Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"The following memorandum, which, I believe, will serve a fruitful purpose, is a result of my visits with your personnel and is directed to each member of the Army Air Forces:

Memorandum: All officers and men of the Army Air Forces in the ETO and MTO.

1. As the war against Germany draws to a victorious conclusion, I wish to extend to each and every one of you my heartiest congratulations on the manner on which you have conducted the air battle in that war. At the same time, I am moved to dwell a bit on the future.

2. It is essential, before the peace of the world can be assured, that we now turn the full might of our armed forces against Japan to bring a decisive end to the struggle in the Pacific. Many of you will be required to augment the growing Army Air Forces strength now engaged against Japan. We, in Washington, have been giving constant thought and study to the many problems involved in your redeployment or demobilization. Our plans are now complete and even now are being implemented. As rapidly as the available troop ships and air transports can ply the sea and the air from your ports to the United States and back again, you will be moved.

3. With minor exceptions, those of you who have served longest in Europe and Africa will be returned to your homes when demobilization phase starts. But first, we must assure that all the air forces with accompanying service elements required to obtain an early decisive victory are redeployed against Japan. For this, we are taking the personnel who have had the least service overseas, returning them to the United States for leaves and furloughs at home, before reassembling for shakedown training and departure for the Pacific.

4. Many of you joining in the Japanese war will find yourselves confronted with new aircraft to master. You will find that it will take time to learn the differences in technique necessary to operate and maintain the bomber-29's and other new types. This will serve to extend your re-training period in the United States.

5. There must remain in Europe a sufficient force to assure the readjustment to peace which may take a considerable time after this violent war. The occupational air force will be made up of those of you who have served neither the longest nor the least, but who have gained sufficient experience to assure success of your mission. At the earliest practicable date, but probably not until the Pacific War is terminated, your return to the United States will be possible as the result of rotation and replacement.

6. I realize full well that the toughest part of the next several months will be the period of waiting—waiting for transportation—waiting for your unit to

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start moving, but we, with the help of your commanders, will do our utmost to keep you not only employed in useful work but also endeavor to provide recreation with as much variety as is possible to get.

7. In conclusion let it be clearly understood that I am as anxious to see you all home again as you are to get there, but sight must not be lost of the fact that we have another job to do in the Pacific which requires some, though not all, of you to accomplish. This job will not be an easy one but I am confident that in this war against Japan you will continue to maintain the high morale and spirit that has been common to all Army Air Forces personnel throughout the world. Signed: ARNOLD"

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APC 374

29 April 1945

SUBJECT: Office Hours

TO : All Sections, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Except for those sections comprising the "Advance Echelon", office hours for this headquarters are from 0800 to 1800 hours daily. One officer will be on duty during those hours in each section having two (2) or more officers. One clerk will be on duty during those hours in each section having two (2) or more clerks. In addition, the Adjutant General's Section will have one Clerk present from 1800 to 0800 in the AG Personnel and Records Office.

2. Duty hours for personnel with each section, times for meals, "off-duty" periods, passes and other authorized absences, will be controlled by the head of each section. Each section will have sufficient personnel present at all times during duty hours to accomplish its proper functions efficiently.

3. One (1) officer, detailed by roster, will be on duty in the office of the Chief of Staff from 1800 to 0800 hours daily to handle any matters arising during those hours. Chiefs of Section will advise him of any matters arising during those hours. Chiefs of Section will advise him of any matters concerning their respective sections which may arise during his tour, and where, if necessary, they may be found.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Special Service Section

X-B-1

1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Minutes of Air-Ground Forces Special Service Officers' Conference.

TO : Special Service Officers, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. The following excerpts from the minutes of the 13/14 April 1945 conference of Air-Ground Forces Special Service Officers are forwarded for your information and guidance.

* * *

a. LIBRARY BRANCH

(1) Guide for the Operation of Small Army Libraries has been published. It is used as a text at the Schools for Unit Librarians, and is the tool for the efficient administration of small Army Libraries. Distribution has been made to all students who have attended the Library Schools, and will be further distributed to all organizations receiving prepared collections of books, and to all smaller units with libraries of Council Books, other paper-bound books, magazines and miscellaneous materials.

(2) Particular attention was called to two paragraphs under d on page 9 of the Guide. From the point of view of Libraries in this Theater, now and in the post-hostilities period, the REL (Reference Book Library) and REK (Reference Book Kit) are the basic collections of books to be issued. REK was set up to supplement and freshen existing book collections, and REL is intended for installations of regimental size where there is no library at all.

(3) The first group of women professional Librarians will arrive in this Theater very shortly. It is planned to have one hundred and twenty (120) in all. They will spend a short period, upon arrival, in the UK Base for orientation purposes, and will then proceed to the Continent. These are top-notch people, and until Assembly Areas are set up, they will be used for field service work.

(4) General Solbert emphasized that Library Service is definitely a Special Services function, and that it will be necessary for all reading materials, including I & E materials, to be made available to the men in centralized libraries, placed under the control and responsibility of a person who has an interest in, and knowledge of books, and who is trained or experienced in their care and use.

(5) The War Department has been requested to assemble smaller groups of books to take care of the small units.

(6) Following three magazines will now be published in this Theater: TIME, NEWSWEEK, and READER'S DIGEST. They will go out in

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the mail from Com Z, and will also be on sale in Post Exchanges.

b. ENTERTAINMENT

(1) Soldier Shows: (a) Program has already started on the stimulation of Soldier Show Demonstration Teams now in the field on two-day courses on how to run Soldier Shows. There are three such teams now in this Theater, consisting of 17 officers in all, which includes one WAC Officer in each team. Demonstrations are given in a Theater where possible, or in a large hall which can be made into a Theater. Their chief aim is to stimulate the interest and enthusiasm of the soldiers who attend the demonstrations, usually 100 and upward. After showing the value of Soldier Shows, they then take up each individual problem facing a Special Service Officer desirous of putting on a Soldier Show, demonstrating how costumes and props can be improvised and made out of waste materials of all kinds. Main objective is to prove that anyone can put on a show.

(b) Teams will be available to all and any who wish to have them. One team is at present in the U.K. Base, and one in Normandy Base Section with a third in Channel Base Section. Their requirements are a room large enough to house the number of men who attend the demonstrations, backstage space for their demonstration equipment, all of which is improvised, and an orchestra or band where possible, because there is reference made to music and the use of music. On the second night of the demonstration, the team puts on a variety show with people picked from the audience, and there in front of the audience they are taught to dance. Messing and billeting of the Demonstration Team is the responsibility of the Special Service Officer of the installation at which demonstration is being given.

(2) General: (a) Colonel Kelly suggested that Engineer and Signal Corps be notified in advance that we may have to call upon them for help on V-E Day. This was considered an excellent idea.

(b) Materials have been requisitioned to completely equip 371 proposed unit theaters, large enough to house from 2,000 to 5,000 men.

(c) There are 500 costumes at this Headquarters which can be issued on memorandum receipt for Soldier Shows (Hq, Com Z). First Army captured 1,000 period costumes. \$10,000 worth of modern costumes now on the water, which is half the amount of our original requisition. Further \$115,000 has been allocated by the War Department for costumes.

(d) It is proposed to send out groups of three specialists to Companies in order to assist for as long as needed to produce Soldier Shows. In addition to those technical men, it is planned to have girl-teams who will go out to supplement legitimate Soldier Shows by playing the female parts.

(3) Jeep Shows: Jeep Show Detachment of 50 GI entertainers still on tour. It is hoped in the future to triple the Jeep Show Detachment.

(4) Native Civilian Shows: (a) This Headquarters (Hq, Com Z) has activated five shows on an experimental basis, consisting of 15 to 17 artists. The reaction to shows of this type is very favourable. Would like Commands and Base Sections to put out their own shows, with Hq. Com Z spotting the talent, putting the acts together and forming the revue. Have been able to get, with few exceptions the best available talent in France. The one problem we are now running into is that of moving the troupes from one place to another because of insufficient transportation. If shows could be formed within the Commands and Base Sections, we could get the talent, and the Commands and Base Sections could then take care of the payment, messing, billeting and transportation. We can find the talent and send it out to you, and it is up to you to use it to the best advantage.

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(b) A directive covering the hiring of native civilian entertainment is being worked on at the present time, which includes salary scales, movement of groups into other countries, and we have also asked for the inclusion of a minimum amount of clothing for them. It is most important to keep the standard rate of pay; any deviation causes endless trouble. The spirit of the directive is to have some control over the entire project. It is believed possible to activate twenty to thirty native civilian shows.

NOTE: Subsequent to the meeting, it was decided that this Headquarters will be responsible only for the policy, planning and general supervision of Allied Civilian Shows, and will also act as a clearing house for available talent. Shows will be made up by the Major Commands, and it is anticipated that provision will be made at this Headquarters to assist Major Commands in making up those shows.

(5) USO Operations: (a) USO Camp Shows are now almost 100% American Artists; very soon there will be no British artists within USO. Major Baker requested that every care be taken not to speak disparagingly about any USO Artist. These people come over here, and with very few exceptions do a good job; it is up to us, therefore, to treat them right in order to keep them here for the maximum period of time.

(b) It is proposed to send out an information sheet for Officers who have not handled USO Shows. These will be distributed via the EM in charge of each USO Show Unit. The most important thing is that the receiving officer knows the unit is coming to his installation so that he can make the necessary preparations in advance.

(c) It is expected to have 100 regular playing units over here by the end of May or beginning of June. There are 46 units now on the continent, 15 of which are hospital units. War Department will send over larger musical units of from 15 to 20 people. They are also going to send more legitimate shows, consisting of a cast of approximately 15 people; there are five such shows here now. This type of show should stay in one place for at least one week. We have requested 20 hospital units in addition to the 100 regular units. Have also requested good singers for Chaplain Shows, to assist the Chaplains with their program. There is an all-girl Negro orchestra coming over, and it can be arranged to send this unit over to the U.K. to play colored Air Force installations.

c. MOTION PICTURE BRANCH

(1) Major _____ called attention to paragraph IV, Circular II, dated 29 January 1945, re civilian attendance at movie shows, and to AG letter 413.53 opSC, dated 20 March 1945, Subject: "Registration of Projectors and Training of Projectionists."

(2) Special Service Officers present raised questions as to whether or not there was assigned transportation for the distribution of 16mm film. It was pointed out that distribution depended upon coordination with and the use of STARS AND STRIPES transportation, which has been causing some difficulty due to the fast movement of the Armies, and changes in routes of STARS AND STRIPES deliveries. General Solbert considered this a very unsatisfactory method, and instructed Colonel Tulley to take action in the matter.

d. ATHLETIC DIVISION

(1) Colonel _____ stated that the Athletic Program has not changed since we first started working on it, and read extracts from the draft of the Special Services Plan, which was submitted to Hq ETOUSA, for the Redeployment and Readjustment period.

(2) In order to clarify the situation in regard to the Athletic School, Colonel _____ explained that the sole purpose of these Schools is to assist Commands with the Athletic Program in giving them information and materials to enable them to set up their own Command Schools.

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(3) At the present time the Athletic Division is setting up a training manual, also program for a coaching school. Program will be outlined and material and information sent out.

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3. The Army now appreciates Special Service, and it will last and become part of this man's army. It has been sold over here - it has been sold better here than in the War Department.

To carry out this Special Services mission, boils down to a very few things, - one is supply and the other people. With your requisition for supplies, being in your plan for using them. I ask for this because I go before General Somervell to defend our new budget before it goes to Congress. Congress will not turn down a request for a baseball for a soldier - I think we are going to get more money this time, and this trip will add to my knowledge and help to see the program and get the money. If the war had ended in October or November, the Supply Division would have been red in the face because we did not have the supplies on the water that we now have. If your survey here shows that this is not enough, a compilation made by you of what you have not got, and the justification to General Solbert and then to General Lee for a cable to WD for the stuff, we will get it to you if we have it. Leather - good leather, is scarce. You will have to take care of your leather stuff. I think the shipments will be in plenty of time. The V-E stockpile is in addition to your quarterly supply, which comes forward automatically.

4. In reply to a question in regard to Circular #360, General Byron stated that it will be revised, and it is hoped that it will even things up making T/O's for Special Services and Information and Education the same.

e. SUPPLY DIVISION

(1) Troops going to the Pacific will take with them all the supplies and equipment they can. Those returning to the U.S. will leave all equipment at the Staging Areas. This material will be salvaged and redistributed through normal channels.

(2) Within the next week we will have in our Warehouse, or on the way to the Warehouse, one-third of the V-E Day equipment which will be "frozen" until V-E Day. We are still getting our quarterly allocations, and there is indication that the allocation for 1946 will be one-fifth larger than any previous allocation.

f. SPECIAL FACILITIES

(1) Prospects for having a WAC Special Service Company are good. Plan is now in the hands of G-3, and it is proposed to name it "Special Activities Company" instead of Special Service Company. One of the functions will be for WACs with theatrical talent to assist the men in putting on joint shows.

(2) First priority on day-room furniture is at the moment for repatriated prisoners and wounded men. Furniture will always be a critical item, and it is up to everyone to improvise as much as possible.

(3) One hundred and fifty (150) American civilian hostesses have been requisitioned from the US. Tentative plan has already been worked out as to where these women will be utilized, based on requisitions from Base Section Special Service Officers.

(4) WD Pamphlet #28-5 has already been published on post-war tours, and we are now in the process of getting the necessary personnel together for the operation of these tours.

g. HANDICRAFT

(1) Handicraft is now a part, and we hope it will be an important part, of Special Services. This has been in the making for over a year, but for various reasons little has been accomplished.

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(2) The greatest problem in any handicraft program is finding the personnel to teach it. For this reason, we are making it as foolproof as possible, having in mind this personnel problem. We have started with ten crafts. These have been chosen because of the availability of materials, the minimum number of tools required, the ease with which the craft can be mastered and its potential value as a possible money-making project in the future.

(3) Ten booklets are being printed. Each contains the basic facts of the craft. To augment these booklets and permit the worker to continue alone, we propose to set up a workshop library. We are also starting at this Headquarters a "Question and Answer" Department where we will be able to answer, or at least find the answer, to any questions in regard to any craft you may require. We have also arranged with POPULAR MECHANICS to devote ten to twelve pages in their overseas publications to these subjects.

(4) You must let us know what you want in the way of kits. When we have your orders, we will fill to the best of our ability. More money has been allocated, and the backing received in New York indicated that they are now sold and vitally interested in the program.

(5) At present the following kits are on hand:

Artist Sketch Kits
Block Printing
Celluloid etching
Clay modeling
Knotting and Braiding
Leathercraft
Metal and Plastics
Woodcarving

(6) Augmenting these, are Workshop Kits, which contain more tools, and will take care of fifty (50) men. These can now be requisitioned.

(7) We are writing an operating guide which will be sent to all Units. This explains how to start a Handicraft Program. It is hoped that we shall be able to find space here in Paris for a model workshop, so that men could be sent in to study the program and see how each one of these crafts are done.

(8) It is hoped that articles made by the men will be put on sale at Post Exchanges, which will help in getting over to them the fact that this work can be actually remunerative.

(9) Quantities of materials are to be found in the cities and towns through which our troops are passing. We have a limited number of replacement kits, but any materials which can be so obtained could be put to good use for replacement purposes.

i. MUSIC

(1) By a Theater directive, just published, T/O Bands are a responsibility of Special Services. These bands are, for the most part, in the Theater now - we have 43 such bands here or scheduled to arrive any day. Some of these bands are scheduled to go out of this Theater two or three months after V-E Day.

(2) After V-E Day we are going to have to rely more and more on units already organized. The most important of these are the T/O Bands, and it will be up to us to create in them the kind of tool we need by making them complete entertainment units. We hope to be able to establish a School for Band Leaders with their assistants.

(3) Questions were asked regarding the availability of the Russian National Anthem - also those of other liberated countries. General Byron requested that he be given particulars of what was required, and, upon his return to the War Department he would endeavor to procure it.

(4) Colonel ___ considered there was an evident lag on the part of the Athletic Division as compared with the I & E Division, especially on the question of T/O. At the rate it is going now, we are not going to be

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able to train sufficient Athletic Officers to meet the demand. It was explained here that the object of the School is to phase you with the Athletic program and enable you to set up Athletic Schools within your own Command, - it is a school for people who are planning and setting up schools.

(5) Colonel _____ knows fifteen (15) men he needs for his Athletic Program, but their present Services will not release them. After V-E Day, however, they will be made available.

For the Special Service Officer:

Russell L. Ball
RUSSELL L. BALL,
Captain, Air Corps,
Executive Officer.

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W-C-1

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2 May 1945

SUBJECT: War Department Film - "Two Down and One to Go".

TO : See Distribution.

1. Reference is made to letter AG 413.53 PUB GC, Headquarters European T of Opns USA, subject as above, dated 9 December 1944.

2. It is desired that commanding officers of units of this Air Force establish insofar as possible direct contact with appropriate Information-Education Officers of Armies, Army Corps, or Base Sections, within the geographical limits of which they are stationed, concerning detailed arrangements for showing of subject film to their units.

3. Contact in regard to arrangements for showing of subject film should be established as soon as possible and in no case later than three (3) days after announcement of release of the film.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Message from General Arnold.

TO : All Units, Attached to this Headquarters.

Matters contained in General Arnold's message quoted in letter this headquarters, same subject and addressees as above, dated 1 May 1945, are not to be discussed with the press.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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Adjutant General

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C-E-7

7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report from Audit and Inspection Teams.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units,
First Tactical Air Force (Provisional).

1. Paragraph 3 of directive, this Headquarters, subject: "Personnel Audit and Inspection Teams for Implementation of Redeployment Plans," dated 4 April 1945, is amended to read:

"A weekly progress report of the percentage of work accomplished to bring all personnel records to perfection will be sent to the Assistant Chief of Staff, A-1, Redeployment Section, this Headquarters, as of 1200 hours each Saturday."

2. This report should be made briefly as follows:

(85%) of work accomplished to bring personnel records up to perfection. It is estimated (6) days will be required to complete unfinished work.

Signed _____
Commanding Officer.

Comments: _____

3. Under "Comments," any difficulty experienced in completing work as directed should be explained.

Example:

"WD AGO Forms 163, Adjusted Credit Rating Cards, have not been completed as full distribution has not been received. 700 more Forms 163 are required."

4. This Headquarters will take immediate action to assist all units requesting additional forms or copies of current redeployment directives.

5. The services of our Redeployment Section, A-1, will be available to all units for conference on policies and redeployment procedures.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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G-TE-15

8 May 1945

SUBJECT: Manner of Performance Rating.

TO : All Section Heads this Headquarters.

1. It is desired that all section heads enter hereon a manner of performance rating for each officer in the section for the period that each officer has served in the section since 1 January 1945.

2. It is further desired that this listing be completed and delivered to the Adjutant General's Personnel Section by Saturday, 12 May 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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T J BROGAN
Col AGD
Adjutant Gen.

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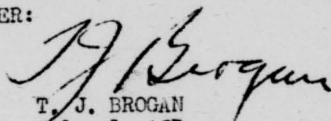
SUBJECT: V-E Day Observance.

TO : All Staff Sections
CO's All Organizations Attached to this Headquarters

1. Office hours for this headquarters on 9th and 10th of May 1945 will be from 0900 hours to 1600 hours.
2. Division and section chiefs of staff sections are authorized to release personnel from duty during these days. Skeleton staffs will be maintained. Commanders of units attached this headquarters are authorized to release from duty such personnel not assigned to headquarters staff sections as may be possible.
3. During the two days holiday period the mess hours for enlisted personnel will be as follows:

Breakfast	0730 - 0830
Dinner	1130 - 1330
Supper	1730 - 1900
4. Arms will not be carried, except by personnel on duty requiring arms during the holiday period. Unit commanders will provide for the storing of arms and will insure that arms are not carried, except by personnel on duty.
5. Attention is invited to the "Military Mass of Thanksgiving" scheduled for 1015 AM, 9 May 1945, in the Cathedral. All personnel are invited to attend.
6. The recreational program for the holiday period will be under the direction of the Special Service Officer. An information bulletin outlining the entertainment and recreational facilities will be published.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:


T. J. BROGAN
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9-14-4

9 May 1945

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SUBJECT: Discharge of Enlisted Men 42 Years of Age or Over.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Circular 125, dtd 25 April 1945 every enlisted man, 42 years of age or over, whose service is honorable, may voluntarily apply in writing to his immediate Commanding Officer for a discharge. Applications will be forwarded through command channels to this headquarters for disposition.

2. Military necessity or other requirements or limitations will not be a bar to discharge; however, this authority will not be used in lieu of disciplinary action, nor when discharge under other Army Regulations then AR 615-365 (convenience of the government) are appropriate nor when the individual concerned is under medical or surgical treatment.

3. The provisions of cited circular do not apply to enlisted women of the Women's Army Corps.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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W-C-1

11 May 1945

SUBJECT: Motion Picture Film.

TO : Heads of all Staff Sections, this Headquarters.
C.O.'s, Hq Sq, First TACAF (Prov).

385th Signal Co.
Det 1184th M.P. Co.
202nd Med Disp (Avn).
Co "B" 562nd Sig AW Bn.
2nd Radio Sq. Mobile (G).
Det "A" 1144th QM Co Sv Gp.
Det KK 21 Weas Sq.
Det KK 40 Mob Comm Sq.

WAC Det.
CIC Det.
156th APU.
Finance Det 33 Sv Gp.
692nd AAF Band.
88th Vet Det (Prov).
11th Vet Sec.
APWIU Det (US Only).

1. All Officers and Enlisted personnel of units listed, will attend the showing of the subject film at one of the following hours at the Schloss Theater, 11 May 1945.

1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900 hours.

2. Each section head and each commanding officer is responsible for personnel under his control attending the showing of this film, which runs about thirty five (35) minutes. The last showing will precede the regular motion picture entertainment.

3. Staff sections will forward a roster of personnel in sections to Commanding Officer, Hq Sq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) listing names of personnel and time attended, by noon, Saturday, 12 May 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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Col., AGD,
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12 May 1945.

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SUBJECT: Manpower Reports.

TO : Commanding Generals and Commanding Officers, All Units
First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

Reports of White Enlisted Men in Combat and Non-combat
Units requested in letters, this headquarters, dated 23 January
1945, 13 March 1945, and 8 April 1945, file 322, Subject: Manpower
Reports, are no longer required.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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13 May 1945

SUBJECT: Discharge of Enlisted Men 42 Years of Age or Over.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

Reference letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 9 May 1945, the following is a quotation from Section I, WD Circular No.125, dated 25 April 1945:

"Every enlisted man 42 years of age or over, whose service is honorable and who voluntarily applies in writing to his immediate Commanding Officer for a discharge, will be sent to a separation center, as provided in current instructions for discharge under the provisions of AR-615-365 (convenience of the Government) and this circular. Such applicants overseas will be returned to the appropriate center in the United States in excess of rotation quotas. Military necessity or other requirements or limitations will not be a bar to discharge; however, this authority will not be used in lieu of disciplinary action, nor when discharge under other Army Regulations is appropriate, nor when the individual concerned is under medical or surgical treatment.

"The provisions of this circular do not apply to enlisted women of the Women's Army Corps."

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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X-B-1

14 May 1945

353.8

SUBJECT: The Special Service Program Immediately Following V-Day.

TO : Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).
Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing.
Commanding Officer, Each Separate Unit, this Air Force.

1. In compliance with letter, Hq., US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, subject as above, dated 20 April 1945, the following Special Service program is announced for all units of this Air Force, covering the period from the dated of this directive to V-E plus 30. This program is based on Annex VIII to First TACAF Redeployment Plan, dated 7 May 1945.

A. The Physical Training Program.

1. All personnel will participate, where practicable, in a duty-status physical training program for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per day, six (6) days each week.
2. This program will include calisthenics and conditioning activities.

B. The Athletic Program.

1. All personnel will also participate, where practicable, in a duty-status athletic program for one and a half (1½) hours per day.
2. This program will include:
 - (a) Organized team sports.
 - (b) Mass Games.
 - (c) Track and Field Meets.
 - (d) Swimming.
 - (e) Other sports and games needing special facilities, i.e., Golf, Tennis, Handball, etc.

C. Entertainment Program.

1. During this period, USO, G.I. and Allied Civilian Shows will continue to be utilized to the fullest extent in the coverage of First Tactical Air Force units. To supplement the coverage provided by USO and Civilian Shows a concentrated effort will be made to organize additional GI Shows

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C. Entertainment Program (Cont'd)

and to stimulate to the maximum soldier participation in the production of shows. The formation of three-man "Jeep Shows" to present programs of forty (40) to sixty (60) minutes duration will be encouraged. The formation of soldier show-producing organizations within the individual units will be encouraged. These organizations will be responsible for the production of all types of stage presentations, musical comedies, variety shows, legitimate plays, etc. Such shows will not only provide for off-duty enjoyment for soldiers actively participating in their production, but may be scheduled for performances at other installations for the general entertainment of First Tactical Air Force troops. This headquarters will maintain facilities for the interchange of unit shows and all needed materials for production of shows within the units. All unit shows will be registered with the Entertainment Branch, Special Service Section, this headquarters, to expedite maximum use of all entertainment units.

2. Formation of organized musical units, choral as well as instrumental, will be encouraged for the purpose of bringing about maximum participation in musical activities by talented and interested soldiers and to utilize these organized musical units for the general entertainment of all troops. Such AAF Bands as may be assigned to First Tactical Air Force will continue to be made available to all units for military and recreational purposes.
3. Facilities and number of showings of motion pictures will be increased to provide for leisure time recreation of all personnel. It will be the policy to show where possible a maximum of three (3) different titles weekly. As permanent sites become available, 35mm installations will be established in so far as facilities and policy of higher headquarters provide.

2. The designation of unit, station or group and command athletic officers and staff with duty as athletic officers and athletic NCO's, plus assistant athletic officers and athletic NCO's with athletics in addition to other duties will be accomplished with the least possible delay.

3. Unit commanders will arrange for the detail of officers and enlisted personnel as assistants to the Special Service Officer as are deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the program.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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400.8

14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Food Conservation.

TO : See Distribution.

1. Letters published by this headquarters, Subject: "Food Conservation," dated 1 May 1945 and 4 May 1945, file number 400.8, are supplemented as follows:

a. In view of the cessation of hostilities, all organizations and units (except those under a strength of 50 men) of First Tactical Air Force will deduct ten percent from the basic military ration return.

b. All units of First Tactical Air Force which have not previously taken this action will immediately start the ten percent reduction.

2. Any unit or organization (except those under a strength of 50 men), whose commander believes that his troops require the full ration will make a written request for exception to this headquarters.

BY COLLAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Purchase of War Bonds - 10 and 25 Dollar Denominations

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Reference is made to Par. 3, Letter Hq ETOUSA, File AG 123 x 278.1 OPGA, Subject: "Currency Received from Unlawful Sources", dated 15 March 1945.

2. Until further notice, provisions of this letter are interpreted as not applying to purchase of War Bonds in denominations of 10 and 25 dollars.

3. This means that enlisted men and officers may purchase War Bonds in 10 and 25 dollar denominations without first presenting the application to the Personnel Officer for recording as directed in the letter on "Currency Received from Unlawful Sources".

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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220.3

15 May 1945

SUBJECT: Non Hazardous Duty Assignment.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. The following message from Hq ETOUSA is quoted for your information and compliance:

"Non hazardous duty assignment policy received by this Hqs from AGWAR

"1. To reduce the probability of families who have lost successive members as service casualties from making additional sacrifices the following policy will govern.

2. When 2 or more members of family (father, mother, children) have been killed, injured, wounded in action, missing in action, died as result of wounds, assignment if remaining member or members of the immediate family who are in the army will be as follows:

a. If member of the army is the only remaining child he (or she) will be retained or returned to US for permanent assignment.

b. Where there is more than 1 member in the army all will be immediately assigned to non hazardous duty (subparagraph A will be applied if the group contains an only remaining son).

c. The Theater Commander of an active theater may in his discretion in any case under sub paragraph B above which return to the US is not mandatory, direct return to US citing this paragraph as authority for orders.

3. The provisions in the foregoing paragraphs will be effective immediately upon the application of any member of the family concerned as soon as determination is made that the policy applies unless the individual is an Officer of the Regular Army in which case he will be given option to remain in this current assignment. An individual will not be reassigned to hazardous duty once this policy has been applied except by authority of the War Department.

4. Meritorious cases not covered by the above policy in which extreme hardship has resulted will be given sympathetic consideration by the War Department. Merits of each case will be considered individually.

5. All requests based on the above policy necessitating War Department action will be forwarded to the Adjutant General through this HQ and will include the name and relationship to the applicant of all persons in the immediate family together with all available pertinent factual information. It will include grade, serial number, organization and assignment of those members in the service. For members lost in the present war the grade, serial number, last Organization and available information as to status death, capture or missing is necessary.

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6. On each individual whose assignment is governed by this policy an appropriate entry will be made in the service record WD AGO Form 24 and on Form 20 or Forms 66-1, 2, 3. When an individual is returned to or retained in the United States this entry will be made in the above records: "By Order of the Secretary of War this enlisted man (enlisted woman or officer) will not be assigned to duty outside Continental United States". In those cases requiring assignment to non hazardous duty corresponding entries will be made.

7. Above policy is being published in War Department Circular. All previous instructions in this regard are rescinded. All personnel enumerated in paragraph 2 A and B thereof will be returned to the United States as contemplated in paragraph 2 C above."

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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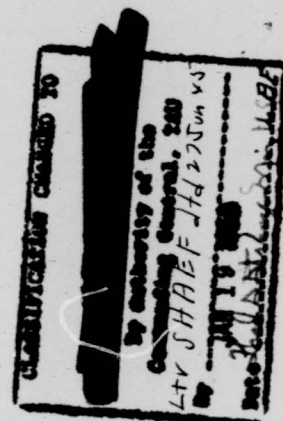
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE

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1 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Number One.

TO : XII Tactical Air Command.
French Tactical Air Command.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) Twelfth Army Group is regrouping, upon completion of which it advances to the RHINE with all three armies.

The Sixth Army continues the offensive, destroys the enemy in the zone and advances to the RHINE; first phase, the capture of STRASBOURG and clearing the West of the RHINE. Directive for subsequent phases will issue later. Sixth Army Group will protect the South flank of Twelfth Army Group.

(2) The Ninth Air Force supports the advance of the Twelfth Army Group.

2nd TAF supports the advance of the Twenty First Army Group.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) supports the continued offensive of the Sixth Army Group by furnishing close and direct support missions to the Seventh Army and the First French Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will support the Seventh Army by:

(1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.

(2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.

(3) Providing assault area cover, air support missions, armed reconnaissance and night fighter operations.

(4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.

b. The French Tactical Air Command, under the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command, will support the First French Army by conducting missions outlined in 3a above within the limit of its capabilities.

X. (1) CG XII Tactical Air Command will continue operational control of the French Tactical Air Command.

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- (3) CG XII Tactical Air Command is responsible in keeping this Headquarters informed of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.
4. Administrative Instructions will be issued separately.
5. Signal Instructions will be issued separately.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

NED SCHRAM,
Brig. General, U.S.A.,
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(4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.

b. The French Tactical Air Command, under the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command, will support the First French Army by conducting missions outlined in 3a above within the limit of its capabilities.

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APC 374, US Army
11 November 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Number Two.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) No change.

(2) No change.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) supports the continued offensive of the Sixth Army Group by furnishing close and direct support missions to the Seventh Army and the First French Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will support the Seventh Army by:

(1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.

(2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.

(3) Providing assault area cover, air escort, air support missions, armed reconnaissance, and night fighter operations.

(4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.

(5) (a) Conducting reconnaissance of oil installations, facilities, and fuel dumps on a high priority basis with the aim of attacking and destroying these targets.

(b) Conducting reconnaissance for troop concentrations, fortified positions and command posts with particular emphasis on the XV Corps front.

(c) Conduct reconnaissance for operational landing fields.

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b. The First French Air Corps will support the First French Army by:

- (1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.
- (2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.
- (3) Provide assault area cover, air escort, air support missions and armed reconnaissance.
- (4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.
- (5) (a) Conducting reconnaissance of oil installations, facilities and fuel dumps on a high priority basis with the aim of attacking and destroying these targets.
(b) Conducting reconnaissance for operational landing fields.

- X. (1) The First French Air Corps is relieved from the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command upon receipt of this letter.
- (2) The 42nd Bombardment Wing (Medium) consisting of the 17th and 320th Groups are assigned for operational control to the XII Tactical Air Command. This wing is expected to be operational at Dijon in the near future.
 - (3) The 31st and 34th Medium Bombardment Groups (French) are assigned for operational control to the First French Air Corps. These groups are expected to be operational at Lyon in the near future.
 - (4) Specific operational instructions for the employment of the medium bombardment force as a unit or on special tasks will be issued by this Headquarters.
 - (5) Maximum close support will be given to the main effort of the Sixth Army Group as first priority and interdiction from the front line to include the RHINE will be given second priority.
 - (6) The CG, XII Tactical Air Command, and CG, First French Air Corps are responsible for keeping each other and this Headquarters informed daily of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.

4. Administrative instructions will be issued separately.

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5. Signal Instructions will be issued separately.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 3.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, U.S. Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

- b. (1) 12th and 21st Army Groups continue current operations. 12th Army Group protects northwest flank of 6th Army Group and assists attack of 7th Army with an offensive launched south-east from the NOSELLE.
- (2) 6th Army Group continues the defensive along the line of the RHINE; passes to the offensive west of DRUSENHEIM, breaches the SIEGFRIED LINE, destroys the enemy in zone west of the RHINE and seizes a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the NORMS area.

BOUNDARIES:

- a. Between 6th and 12th Army Groups: COMFLANS (U-6564) to the 6th Army Group - BUSS (Q-3276) - LEBACH (Q-4091) - THOLEY (Q-4998) - NONFELDEN (L-5710), thence along railroad along the NAHE River to SINGEN (M-1132) (inclusive) all to 12th Army Group.
- b. Between 7th Army and First French Army: West of OBER-HOFFER - SUR-MODER (R-0920) inclusive, no change - SCHIRRHAIN (R-125224) - BONFLENHEIM (R-165255) - KOENIGS-BRUCK (R-202292) - Road Junction 126 (R-222301) - NIEDER-ROSDER (R-229544) - WINTZENBACH (R-270573) - Road Junction 125 (R-309417) - LAUTERBOURG (R-328420) - LAUTER River to confluence with RHINE River at R-382425 (all to First French Army).
- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. XIX Tactical Air Command to continue armed reconnaissance north of the 6th Army Group boundary and east of the RHINE.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort for the 21st Army Group.

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2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides coordinated air effort to the offensive of the 6th Army Group by the destruction of enemy defenses, installations, troops, communications, and supplies primarily in the zone of the main effort being in the general direction: Valley of the BLIES - HOMBURG - KAISERLAUTERN - WORMS. Target date ("D" Day) will be announced later.

3. a. The XII Tactical Air Command will furnish air effort to the 7th Army by:

- (1) Furnishing maximum air cooperation in support of the main offensive effort.
- (2) Attacking all known enemy Army Corps and Division CPs.
- (3) Conducting armed reconnaissance and interdiction of rail communications in the 7th Army area with particular attention to lines leading into KAISERLAUTERN from all directions.

b. The First French Air Corps will furnish air effort to the First French Army by:

Prior to "D" Day:

- (1) Continuing present program against enemy installations and rail communications east of the RHINE.

On "D" Day:

- (2) Bombing supply and rail installations and conduct armed reconnaissance in the area WEISSENBOURG - NEUSTADT - HEIDELBURG - PFORZHEIM - OFFENBURG.

After "D" Day:

- (3) Bombing supply and rail installations and conducting armed reconnaissance primarily in the area LAUTERBOURG - HEIDELBURG - STUTTGART - OFFENBURG.

c. The 42nd Bomb Wing will furnish air effort to the 6th Army Group offensive by:

Prior to "D" Day:

- (1) Continuing rail interdiction in the RHINE-MOSELLE triangle designed primarily to disrupt communications to and from the SAAR area.
- (2) Continuing destruction of supplies in this area in accordance with existing priorities.

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On "D" Day:

- (3) Providing maximum air effort to destroy the enemy defenses facing the main effort of the 7th Army.

After "D" Day:

- (4) Continuing destruction of enemy defenses in main line of advance of the 7th Army as needed and be prepared to resume attacks against enemy communications and rail installations.
- x. (1) All elements of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), in conjunction with such other Air Forces as may be available, will be prepared to render air cooperation to the 6th Army Group in crossing the RHINE and seizing a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORMS area. Plans for seizing the bridgehead will envisage the launching of Operation "CHOKER TWO", involving the employment of two airborne divisions, but will not be dependent upon success of this assault.
- (2) The Eighth Air Force has been requested to bomb key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army.
- (3) SHAEP has directed the Ninth Air Force to attack with medium bombers nine (9) key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army during period "D" Day to "D" plus 3 Day.
- (4) The First French Air Corps will be prepared to furnish close air effort in the zone of the 7th Army should such action be necessary. In this connection, one (1) additional controller will be dispatched immediately for duty with the 64th Fighter Wing.

4. Administrative instructions will be issued separately.

5. Signal instructions will be issued separately.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

NED SCHRAEM,
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SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 4.

TO : Commanding Generals, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374,
US Army.
42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, US Army.
First French Air Corps,

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.
- b. (1) Twelfth and 21st Army Groups continue current operations.
- (2) Sixth Army Group continues to destroy the enemy west of the RHINE preparatory to establishing a bridgehead East of the RHINE.
- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air cooperation for the Twelfth Army Group. XIX TAC continues to provide Armed Reconnaissance to the North of the Sixth Army Group Boundary.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air cooperation for the 21st Army Group.

2. Until such time as the Sixth Army Group initiates an attack for seizing a bridgehead east of the RHINE, the First TACAF will employ its forces primarily on a railway interdiction program in preparation for subsequent advance of the ground forces. Primary objective is to disrupt rail facilities in critical areas and reduce mobility of enemy supplies and reinforcements.

3. a. The XII TAC will employ air effort by:

- (1) Furnishing close cooperation to the 7th Army as required.
- (2) Concentrating fighter bomber effort: interdicting all rail lines and performing armed reconnaissance in the following area: GERMERSHEIM, east to BRUCHSAL,

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East to HEILBRONN, North along the main railroad to ADERSHEIM, North to MILTENBERG, North to ASCHAFFENBURG, West to DIEBURG, West to DARMSTADT, West to GR. GERAU (all inclusive). Coordinate operations in the northern part of this area with XIX Tactical Air Command.

b. The First French Air Corps will employ air effort by:

- (1) Furnishing close cooperation to the First French Army as required.
- (2) Concentrate maximum fighter bomber effort on interdicting rail lines and conducting armed reconnaissance in the following areas; with the major effort in the Northern section: From GERMERSHEIM, East to BRUCHSAL, East to HEILBRONN (exclusive), South to STUTTGART, East to FLOCHINGEN, South to REUTLINGEN, Southwest to DONAUESCHINGEN, Southwest to the RHINE, at WELMLINGEN (inclusive).

c. The 42nd Bomb Wing will employ air effort by:

- (1) Conducting rail interdiction primarily in the area assigned to the XII Tactical Air Command. Targets will normally be vital bridges, rail embankments, and marshalling yards.
- (2) Attacking armored vehicles repair shops and armored vehicle supply depots.

4. Administrative instructions, no change.

5. Signal instructions, no change.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 5.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

- b. (1) Operations of the Allied Armies have as their objective the isolation of the Ruhr. The plan of the 21st and 12th Army Groups is to effect a junction in the general area KASSEL - PADERBORN. Having effected a junction, 21st and 12th Army Groups will prepare for a further advance into Germany.
- (2) The Sixth Army Group continues the offensive protecting the right flank of the 12th Army Group advancing rapidly northeast in the zone of action and seizing MOHL ROHR hill mass.

BOUNDARIES:

Between 12th and 6th Army Groups: SAARBRUCKEN - NEULACHEN - NORFELDEN - thence along the railroad along the main RIVER to OBERSIELE - REISCHEN - ALVEY - OFENHEIM - GERAU - FRANKFORT (all to 12th Army Group) - railroad north of MAIN RIVER to HANAU - FULDA - WEIMINGEN (all to Sixth Army Group).

Between 7th Army and First French Army: SPEYER - HEILBRONN (both to the First French Army).

- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. The XIX Tactical Air Command continues armed reconnaissance north of the Sixth Army Group boundary.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort to the 21st Army Group.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides coordinated air effort to the Sixth Army Group by the destruction of enemy defenses, installations, troops, communications, and supplies primarily in the zone of action of the 7th Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will employ air effort by:

- (1) Furnishing close air cooperation to the 7th Army.
- (2) Conducting armed reconnaissance in support of ground reconnaissance extending to the line BRUCHSAL - HEILBRONN - CRALLSHIM - ROTENBURG - NEUSTADT - BAMBERG - COBURG - ILMEAU - WEIMINGEN.

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(3) Conducting night fighter operations. (An additional squadron, 417th Night Fighter Squadron, will shortly be available and operational from St. Dizier, A-64).

(4) Conducting counter air force operations.

(5) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information.

b. First French Air Corps will employ air effort by:

(1) Furnishing air cooperation to the First French Army as required.

(2) Conducting counter air force operations, particular attention being given to the STUTTGART area.

(3) Conducting armed reconnaissance in the area of the First French Army primarily in the northern sector.

(4) Conducting interdiction of rail lines and highways at critical points so as to hinder enemy movement of supplies and personnel.

(5) Performing the necessary reconnaissance and defense patrols along the east bank of the RHINE.

(6) Furnishing additional fighter-bomber effort to the XII Tactical Air Command if required.

c. 42nd Bomb Wing will employ air effort by:

(1) Attacking ordnance installations and repair depots utilized in connection with armored vehicle repair, storage, and supply.

(2) Protecting the right flank of the main effort of the Sixth Army Group by interdicting communications along the general line STRASSBOURG - STUTTGART - GRAILSHEIM.

(3) Attacking POL refinery and storage installations.

x. (1) The area of air responsibility between the XII Tactical Air Command and First French Air Corps is the boundary between the 7th and First French Armies extended east to GRAILSHEIM.

(2) XII Tactical Air Command is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort for US medium bombers; First French Air Corps is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort to French medium bombers. In this connection, the Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing will select targets for the French medium bombers whenever practicable that are within the radius of action of spitfires acting as escort.

4. Administrative instructions, no change.

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5. Signal instructions, no change.

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Number Two.

1. a. -See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) No change.

(2) No change.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) supports the continued offensive of the Sixth Army Group by furnishing close and direct support missions to the Seventh Army and the First French Army.

3. a. All Tactical Air Command will support the Seventh Army by:

(1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.

(2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.

(3) Providing assault area cover, air escort, air support missions, armed reconnaissance, and night fighter operations.

(4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.

✓ (5) (a) Conducting reconnaissance of oil installations, facilities, and fuel dumps on a high priority basis with the aim of attacking, and destroying, these targets.

7 (b) Conducting reconnaissance for troop concentrations, fortified positions and command posts with particular emphasis on the XV Corps front.

✓ (c) Conduct reconnaissance for operational landing fields.

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- b. The First French Air Corps will support the First French Army by:

- (1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.
- (2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.
- (3) Provide assault area cover, air escort, air support missions and armed reconnaissance.
- (4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.
- (5) (a) Conducting reconnaissance of oil installations, facilities and fuel dumps on a high priority basis with the aim of attacking and destroying these targets.
(b) Conducting reconnaissance for operational landing fields.

- ✓ X. (1) The First French Air Corps is relieved from the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command upon receipt of this letter.
- ✓ (2) The 42nd Bombardment Wing (Medium) consisting of the 17th and 320th Groups are assigned for operational control to the XII Tactical Air Command. This wing is expected to be operational at Dijon in the near future.
- ✓ (3) The 31st and 34th Medium Bombardment Groups (French) are assigned for operational control to the First French Air Corps. These groups are expected to be operational at Lyon in the near future.
- ✓ (4) Specific operational instructions for the employment of the medium bombardment force as a unit or on special tasks will be issued by this Headquarters.
- ✓ (5) Maximum close support will be given to the main effort of the Sixth Army Group as first priority and interdiction from the front line to include the RHINE will be given second priority.
- ✓ (6) The CG, XII Tactical Air Command, and CG, First French Air Corps are responsible for keeping each other and this Headquarters informed daily of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.

4. Administrative instructions will be issued separately.

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12 March 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 3.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, U.S. Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) 12th and 21st Army Groups continue current operations. 12th Army Group protects northwest flank of 6th Army Group and assists attack of 7th Army with an offensive launched south-east from the MOSELLE.

(2) 6th Army Group continues the defensive along the line of the RHINE; passes to the offensive west of BRUCHHEIM, breaches the SIEGFRIED LINE, destroys the enemy in some west of the RHINE and seizes a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORDS area.

BOUNDARIES:

a. Between 6th and 12th Army Groups: CONFLANS (U-6564) to the 6th Army Group - BUSE (Q-3276) - LEBACH (Q-4091) - TROLEY (Q-4998) - NONFELDEN (L-5710), thence along railroad along the RAHE River to SIEGEN (M-1132) (inclusive) all to 12th Army Group.

b. Between 7th Army and First French Army: West of OBER-HOPFEN - BUR-MODER (R-0920) inclusive, no change - SCHIRMEIN (R-125224) - SONFLENHEIM (R-165255) - KOENIGSBRUCK (R-202292) - Road Junction 126 (R-222301) - NIEDER-RODERN (R-229344) - WINTZENBACH (R-270373) - Road Junction 125 (R-309417) - LAUTERSBURG (R-328420) - LAUTER River to confluence with RHINE River at R-322425 (all to First French Army).

(3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. XIX Tactical Air Command to continue armed reconnaissance north of the 6th Army Group boundary and east of the RHINE.

(4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort for the 21st Army Group.

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2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides coordinated air effort to the offensive of the 6th Army Group by the destruction of enemy defenses, installations, troops, communications, and supplies primarily in the zone of the main effort being in the general direction: Valley of the BLIES - HOMBURG - KAISERLAUTERN - WORMS. Target date ("D" Day) will be announced later.

3. a. The XII Tactical Air Command will furnish air effort to the 7th Army by:

- (1) Furnishing maximum air cooperation in support of the main offensive effort.
- (2) Attacking all known enemy Army Corps and Division OPs.
- (3) Conducting armed reconnaissance and interdiction of rail communications in the 7th Army area with particular attention to lines leading into KAISERLAUTERN from all directions.

b. The First French Air Corps will furnish air effort to the First French Army by:

Prior to "D" Day:

- (1) Continuing present program against enemy installations and rail communications east of the RHINE.

On "D" Day:

- (2) Bombing supply and rail installations and conduct armed reconnaissance in the area WEISSENBOURG - NEUSTADT - HEIDELBURG - PFORZHEIM - OFFENBURG.

After "D" Day:

- (3) Bombing supply and rail installations and conducting armed reconnaissance primarily in the area LAUTERBOURG - HEIDELBURG - STUTTGART - OFFENBURG.

c. The 42nd Bomb Wing will furnish air effort to the 6th Army Group offensive by:

Prior to "D" Day:

- (1) Continuing rail interdiction in the RHINE-MOSELLE triangle designed primarily to disrupt communications to and from the SAAR area.
- (2) Continuing destruction of supplies in this area in accordance with existing priorities.

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On "D" Day:

- (3) Providing maximum air effort to destroy the enemy defenses facing the main effort of the 7th Army.

After "D" Day:

- (4) Continuing destruction of enemy defenses in main line of advance of the 7th Army as needed and be prepared to resume attacks against enemy communications and rail installations.
- x. (1) All elements of the First Tactical Air Force (Frov), in conjunction with such other Air Forces as may be available, will be prepared to render air cooperation to the 6th Army Group in crossing the RHINE and seizing a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORMS area. Plans for seizing the bridgehead will envisage the launching of Operation "CHOKER TWO", involving the employment of two airborne divisions, but will not be dependent upon success of this assault.
- (2) The Eighth Air Force has been requested to bomb key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army.
- (3) SHAEF has directed the Ninth Air Force to attack with medium bombers nine (9) key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army during period "D" Day to "D" plus 3 Day.
- (4) The First French Air Corps will be prepared to furnish close air effort in the zone of the 7th Army should such action be necessary. In this connection, one (1) additional controller will be dispatched immediately for duty with the 64th Fighter Wing.

4. Administrative instructions will be issued separately.

5. Signal instructions will be issued separately.

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1 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Number One.

TO : XII Tactical Air Command.
French Tactical Air Command.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.
- b. (1) Twelfth Army Group is regrouping, upon completion of which it advances to the RHINE with all three armies.

The Sixth Army continues the offensive, destroys the enemy in the zone and advances to the RHINE; first phase, the capture of STRASSBOURG and clearing the West of the RHINE. Directive for subsequent phases will issue later. Sixth Army Group will protect the South flank of Twelfth Army Group.

- (2) The Ninth Air Force supports the advance of the Twelfth Army Group.

2nd TAF supports the advance of the Twenty First Army Group.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) supports the continued offensive of the Sixth Army Group by furnishing close and direct support missions to the Seventh Army and the First French Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will support the Seventh Army by:
 - (1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.
 - (2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.
 - (3) Providing assault area cover, air support missions, armed reconnaissance and night fighter operations.
 - (4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.
- b. The French Tactical Air Command, under the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command, will support the First French Army by conducting missions outlined in 3a above within the limit of its capabilities.

- X. (1) CG XII Tactical Air Command will continue operational control of the French Tactical Air Command.

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- (2) Until further notice air operations against RHINE River Communications targets will be first priority and air operations against enemy installations and communications between the RHINE and the front line will be 2nd priority.
- (3) CG XII Tactical Air Command is responsible in keeping this Headquarters informed of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.

4. Administrative Instructions will be issued separately.

5. Signal Instructions will be issued separately.

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions Number One.

TO : XII Tactical Air Command.
French Tactical Air Command.

1. a.. See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) Twelfth Army Group is regrouping, upon completion of which it advances to the RHINE with all three armies.

The Sixth Army continues the offensive, destroys the enemy in the zone and advances to the RHINE; first phase, the capture of STRASBOURG and clearing the West of the RHINE. Directive for subsequent phases will issue later. Sixth Army Group will protect the South flank of Twelfth Army Group.

(2) The Ninth Air Force supports the advance of the Twelfth Army Group.

2nd TAF supports the advance of the Twenty First Army Group.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) supports the continued offensive of the Sixth Army Group by furnishing close and direct support missions to the Seventh Army and the First French Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will support the Seventh Army by:

(1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.

(2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.

(3) Providing assault area cover, air support missions, armed reconnaissance and night fighter operations.

(4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.

b. The French Tactical Air Command, under the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command, will support the First French Army by conducting missions outlined in 3a above within the limit of its capabilities.

X. (1) CG XII Tactical Air Command will continue operational control of the French Tactical Air Command.

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- (2) Until further notice air operations against RHINE River Communications targets will be first priority and air operations against enemy installations and communications between the RHINE and the front line will be 2nd priority.
- (3) CG XII Tactical Air Command is responsible in keeping this Headquarters informed of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.
4. Administrative Instructions will be issued separately.
5. Signal Instructions will be issued separately.

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b. The First French Air Corps will support the First French Army by:

- (1) Bombing vital highway and railroad bridges.
- (2) Cutting railroad lines on inner and outer lines of interdiction.
- (3) Provide assault area cover, air escort, air support missions and armed reconnaissance.
- (4) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information and results of bombing attacks on targets.
- (5) (a) Conducting reconnaissance of oil installations, facilities and fuel dumps on a high priority basis with the aim of attacking and destroying these targets.
(b) Conducting reconnaissance for operational landing fields.

- X. (1) The First French Air Corps is relieved from the operational control of the XII Tactical Air Command upon receipt of this letter.
- (2) The 42nd Bombardment Wing (Medium) consisting of the 17th and 320th Groups are assigned for operational control to the XII Tactical Air Command. This wing is expected to be operational at Dijon in the near future.
 - (3) The 31st and 34th Medium Bombardment Groups (French) are assigned for operational control to the First French Air Corps. These groups are expected to be operational at Lyon in the near future.
 - (4) Specific operational instructions for the employment of the medium bombardment force as a unit or on special tasks will be issued by this Headquarters.
 - (5) Maximum close support will be given to the main effort of the Sixth Army Group as first priority and interdiction from the front line to include the RHINE will be given second priority.
 - (6) The CG, XII Tactical Air Command, and CG, First French Air Corps are responsible for keeping each other and this Headquarters informed daily of plans to accomplish the above missions and of results obtained.

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SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 3.

TO : Commanding General, III Tactical Air Command, APO 374, U.S. Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.
- b. (1) 12th and 21st Army Groups continue current operations. 12th Army Group protects northwest flank of 6th Army Group and assists attack of 7th Army with an offensive launched south-east from the ROSELLE.
- (2) 6th Army Group continues the defensive along the line of the RHINE; passes to the offensive west of DRUSSEL, breaches the SIEGFRIED LINE, destroys the enemy in zone west of the RHINE and seizes a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORMS area.

BOUNDARIES:

- a. Between 6th and 12th Army Groups: CONFLANS (U-6564) to the 6th Army Group - BUSSE (L-3276) - LEBACH (L-4091) - THOLEY (L-4998) - LOFFELDEN (L-5710), thence along railroad along the NAHE River to BLUGEN (L-1152) (inclusive) all to 12th Army Group.
- b. Between 7th Army and First French Army: West of OBERHOFFEN - SURMUDER (R-0920) inclusive, no change - SCHIRMEIL (R-12522) - SOFFELDEN (R-16525) - KORNIGSBRUCK (R-202292) - Road Junction 126 (R-222301) - REIDERROEDER (R-229344) - LUTZBACH (R-270373) - Road Junction 125 (R-309417) - LUTERBOURG (R-328420) - LUTER River to confluent with RHINE River at R-382425 (all to First French Army).
- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. III Tactical Air Command to continue armed reconnaissance north of the 6th Army Group boundary and east of the RHINE.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort for the 21st Army Group.

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2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides coordinated air effort to the offensive of the 6th Army Group by the destruction of enemy defenses, installations, troops, communications, and supplies primarily in the zone of the main effort being in the general direction: Valley of the BLIES - HOLBURG - KAISERLAUTERN - WORMS. Target date ("D" Day) will be announced later.

3. a. The XII Tactical Air Command will furnish air effort to the 7th Army by:

- (1) Furnishing maximum air cooperation in support of the main offensive effort.
- (2) Attacking all known enemy Army Corps and Division OPs.
- (3) Conducting armed reconnaissance and interdiction of rail communications in the 7th Army area with particular attention to lines leading into KAISERLAUTERN from all directions.

b. The First French Air Corps will furnish air effort to the First French Army by:

Prior to "D" Day:

- (1) Continuing present program against enemy installations and rail communications east of the RHINE.

On "D" Day:

- (2) Bombing supply and rail installations and conduct armed reconnaissance in the area WEISZAMBURG - NEUSTADT - HEIDELBURG - PFORZHEIM - OFFENBURG.

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c. The 42nd Bomb Wing will furnish air effort to the 6th Army Group offensive by:

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- (1) Continuing rail interdiction in the RHINE-ROSELLE triangle designed primarily to disrupt communications to and from the Saar area.
- (2) Continuing destruction of supplies in this area in accordance with existing priorities.

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On "D" Day:

- (3) Providing maximum air effort to destroy the enemy defenses facing the main effort of the 7th Army.

After "D" Day:

- (4) Continuing destruction of enemy defenses in the main line of advance of the 7th Army as needed and be prepared to resume attacks against enemy communications and rail installations.

- x. (1) All elements of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), in conjunction with such other Air Forces as may be available, will be prepared to render air cooperation to the 6th Army Group in crossing the RHINE and seizing a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORMS area. Plans for seizing the bridgehead will envisage the launching of Operation "CHOKER TWO", involving the employment of two airborne divisions, but will not be dependent upon success of this assault.
- (2) The Eighth Air Force has been requested to bomb key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army.
- (3) SHAEF has directed the Ninth Air Force to attack with medium bombers nine (9) key communications centers in the zone of the 7th Army during period "D" Day to "D plus 3" Day.
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4. Administrative instructions will be issued separately.

5. Signal instructions will be issued separately.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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AUTH: CG 1 TACAF
DATE: 12 Mar 45
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SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 3.

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, U.S. Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

b. (1) 12th and 21st Army Groups continue current operations. 12th Army Group protects northwest flank of 6th Army Group and assists attack of 7th Army with an offensive launched south-east from the ROSELLE.

(2) 6th Army Group continues the defensive along the line of the RHINE; passes to the offensive west of DRUSSEL, breaches the SIEGFRIED LINE, destroys the enemy in zone west of the RHINE and seizes a bridgehead east of the RHINE in the WORMS area.

BOUNDARIES:

a. Between 6th and 12th Army Groups: CONFLANS (U-6564) to the 6th Army Group - BUSSE (J-3276) - LEBACH (J-4091) - THOLEY (J-4998) - MOHLEDEL (L-5710), thence along railroad along the NAHE River to BLUGEN (J-1152) (inclusive) all to 12th Army Group.

b. Between 7th Army and First French Army: West of OBERHOFFEN - SURMUDER (R-0920) inclusive, no change - SCHIRMEIN (R-12522) - SOFFLEHEIM (R-16525) - KOLNIGSBRUCK (R-20229) - Road Junction 126 (R-222301) - WEIDERROEDER (R-229344) - WITZENBACH (R-270373) - Road Junction 125 (R-309417) - LAUTERBOURG (R-328420) - LAUTER River to confluence with RHINE River at R-382425 (all to First French Army).

(3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. XII Tactical Air Command to continue armed reconnaissance north of the 6th Army Group boundary and east of the RHINE.

(4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort for the 21st Army Group.

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OP OG XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND (ADV)

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LETTER OF INSTRUCTION NUMBER THREE OMA DATED ONE TWO MARCH OMA COVERING QUOTE
OPERATION UNDERTONE UNQUOTE WILL BE ISSUED TO FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE COMMANDERS
THIS DATE PD THESE INSTRUCTIONS APPROVE OMA IN GENERAL OMA YOUR AIR PLAN SUBMITTED
ON ONE ONE MARCH WITH THE FOLLOW EXCEPTIONS WITH WHICH YOU ARE ALREADY FAMILIAR
COLON ONE PD CHANGE IN BOUNDARY BETWEEN SIXTH AND ONE TWO ARMY GROUPS PD TWO PD
REQUEST FOR EMPLOYMENT OF NINTH AIR FORCE MEDIUMS AND EIGHTH AIR FORCE HEAVIES
IN SUPPORT OF THIS OPERATION AS CONTAINED RESPECTIVELY IN OUR EASY TWO SIX EIGHT
NINE AND EASY TWO SIX NINE ZERO OMA BOTH DATED ONE ONE MARCH PD FOR YOUR
INFORMATION AIR STAFF SUGAR HOW ABLE EASY FOX FORWARD HAS ADVISED NINTH AIR FORCE
THAT THEIR ASSISTANCE WITH MEDIUM BOMBARDMENT WILL BE REQUIRED ON THE TARGETS
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MULTIPLE MESSAGE

14 MARCH 1945

1. U XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND (ADV)
2. U 42ND BOMBARDMENT WING
3. U FIRST FRENCH AIR CORPS

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AUTH: CG 1 TACAF
DATE: 28 Mar 45
INIT: *KEP*
CY NO. *40*

SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction Number 5.

28 March 1945

TO : Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing, APO 374, US Army.
Commanding General, First French Air Corps.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary.

- b. (1) Operations of the Allied Armies have as their objective the isolation of the Ruhr. The plan of the 21st and 12th Army Groups is to effect a junction in the general area AASSL - PADERBORN. Having effected a junction, 21st and 12th Army Groups will prepare for a further advance into Germany.
- (2) The Sixth Army Group continues the offensive protecting the right flank of the 12th Army Group advancing rapidly northeast in the zone of action and seizing MOHL ROHR hill mass.

BOUNDARIES:

Between 12th and 6th Army Groups: SAARBRUCKEN - NEUMAIRCHEN - NORFELDEN - thence along the railroad along the MAIN RIVER to OBERSTEIN - WEISSENHEIM - ALVEY - OPRINGHEIM - GERAU - FRANKFORT (all to 12th Army Group) - railroad north of MAIN RIVER to HANAU - FULDA - MEINLIGEN (all to Sixth Army Group).

Between 7th Army and First French Army: SPEYER - HEILBRONN (both to the First French Army).

- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. The XIX Tactical Air Command continues armed reconnaissance north of the Sixth Army Group boundary.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort to the 21st Army Group.

2. The First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides coordinated air effort to the Sixth Army Group by the destruction of enemy defenses, installations, troops, communications, and supplies primarily in the zone of action of the 7th Army.

3. a. XII Tactical Air Command will employ air effort by:

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- (3) Conducting night fighter operations. (An additional squadron, 417th Night Fighter Squadron, will shortly be available and operational from St. Dizier, A-64).
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 - (6) Furnishing additional fighter-bomber effort to the XII Tactical Air Command if required.
- c. 42nd Bomb Wing will employ air effort by:
- (1) Attacking ordnance installations and repair depots utilized in connection with armored vehicle repair, storage, and supply.
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 - (3) Attacking POL refinery and storage installations.
- x. (1) The area of air responsibility between the XII Tactical Air Command and First French Air Corps is the boundary between the 7th and First French Armies extended east to GRAILSHEIM.
- (2) XII Tactical Air Command is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort for US medium bombers; First French Air Corps is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort to French medium bombers. In this connection, the Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing will select targets for the French medium bombers whenever practicable that are within the radius of action of spitfires acting as escort.

4. Administrative instructions, no change.

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5. Signal instructions, no change.

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- (2) Protecting the right flank of the main effort of the Sixth Army Group by interdicting communications along the general line STRASSBOURG - STUTTGART - ORAISNHEIM.
- (3) Attacking POL refinery and storage installations.

x. (1) The area of air responsibility between the XII Tactical Air Command and First French Air Corps is the boundary between the 7th and First French Armies extended east to ORAISNHEIM.

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- (2) XII Tactical Air Command is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort for US medium bombers; First French Air Corps is normally responsible for furnishing fighter escort to French medium bombers. In this connection, the Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing will select targets for the French medium bombers whenever practicable that are within the radius of action of spitfires acting as escort.

4. Administrative instructions, no change.

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5. Signal instructions, no change.

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APO 374 : Date: 19 April 45:
: Init: R27

April 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Instructions - Operation "REDEEMER" (Air)

TO : See Distribution.

1. a. See current Intelligence Summary
- b. (1) 21st Army Group continues its operations to defeat the Germans to the North. 12th Army Group will launch a powerful thrust with the 3rd Army to join hands with the Russians in the DANUBE Valley and seize SALZBURG.
- (2) 6th Army Group, assisted by the 13th Airborne Division, First Allied Airborne Army, initiates strong offensive action up the valley of the NECKAR RIVER at the earliest possible date for the purpose of destroying the German 19th Army in the STUTTGART - BLACK FOREST area and preventing its escape to the East.

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BOUNDARIES:

Between 12th and 6th Army Groups: West of OPPENHEIM no change - DARMSTADT - WURZBURG - ANSBACH - FREISING - DORFEN - ROSENHEIM (all 12th Army Group).

Between First French Army and 7th Army: West of STUTTGART no change - WALDENBUCH (S0305) - TUBINGEN (W9891) - thence along NECKAR RIVER to ROTTWELL (W6752) - BLUMENFELD (W7212), thence due South to SWISS BORDER (all to 7th Army).

- (3) The Ninth Air Force continues to provide air effort to the 12th Army Group. The XIX Tactical Air Command continues armed reconnaissance North of the 6th Army Group boundary.
- (4) 2nd TAF continues to provide air effort to the 21st Army Group.

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2. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) provides air effort and coordinates additional effort of the Eighth and Ninth Air Forces in cooperation with the ground and airborne forces in seizing the communications center formed by the triangle TUBINGEN (W-9891) - BALLINGEN (W-8463) - SIGMARINGEN (X-1044).

3. a. Detailed missions of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Eighth Air Force and Ninth Air Force for period D minus 2 day until D plus one Day are included in Inclosure No. 1, AIR OPERATIONS.
- b. In addition to the missions in 3. a., above, the XII Tactical Air Command will employ air effort by:
- (1) Furnishing close air cooperation and armed reconnaissance in the area of responsibility of the 7th Army.
 - (2) Conducting night fighter operations with particular emphasis East and North of the drop area: HECHINGEN - BALLINGEN.
 - (3) Conducting photo reconnaissance to obtain target information.
- c. In addition to the missions in 3. a., above, the First French Air Corps will employ air effort by; furnishing close air cooperation and armed reconnaissance in the area of responsibility of the First French Army.
- d. In addition to the missions in 3. a., above, the 42nd Bombardment Wing will be prepared to employ air effort by attacking troop concentrations or other targets of opportunity which may develop in connection with this operation.
- x. (1) The Commanding General, Seventh Army, will confirm the tentative date set for D Day or announce any postponement of D Day at least 48 hours in advance of P Hour D Day. P Hour (time of first parachute drop) is tentatively set as 1000B hours.
- (2) In the event weather conditions do not permit airborne operations, the Commanding General, First Allied Airborne Army, will announce any postponement not later than 2200B hours on D minus one day. His advance command post prior to and during the operation will be Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), (Advance).

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(3) Route of Troop Carrier and re-supply aircraft approaching objective will be METZ (R-2126) - DZ and IZ area. Return will be by reciprocal route. Aircraft will be passing over this route on D Day from approximately 0841B hours to 1500B hours. During the above time, all friendly AAA for a distance of 10 miles on either side of the above route will be prohibited from firing on any aircraft.

(4) XII TAC will furnish 13th Airborne Division with two (2) Fighter Control Teams complete with VHF radio equipment to accompany the Airborne landing.

(5) Emergency airfields available for damaged Troop Carrier aircraft are; HAGENAU (Y-39) and STRASSBOURG/ENTZHEIM (Y-40). Troop Carrier Command will place necessary control detachments at above fields prior to P hour.

(6) Air Forces requiring timing in cooperation with Troop Carrier Aircraft movement will conform with schedule being published and distributed by the Troop Carrier Command.

4. Administrative instructions - no change.
5. Signal instructions will be issued separately.

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3	First TACAF (XII TAC) (1st FAF)	Armed reconnaissance	first TACAF area	Locate and destroy enemy movements.	begin P Hour minus 1 hour and continue thru D-Day, daily thereafter.	Armed reconnaissance to be in conjunction with close support requirements of ground troops. XII TAC in area of 13th Airborne Division and 7th Army. First French Air Corps in area of First French Army.
4	First TACAF (XII TAC)	Escort for all Troop Carrier and resupply aircraft	Furnish escort to Troop Carrier and resupply aircraft from rendezvous point, R2126, to DZ and return on reciprocal route to same point	Protection of aircraft against GAF.	D-Day P Hour minus 45 minutes until all Troop Carrier and resupply planes clear area.	First pathfinder drop at 0940. Parachute drop at 1000 to 1033. glider landings 1131 to 1325. Resupply drop 1340 to 1420.
5	First TACAF (42 Bomb Wg) (XII TAC)	Enemy flak concentrations.	Troop carrier route to and from DZ and LZ.	Neutralize flak likely to engage Troop Carrier aircraft.	D-Day: 42nd Bomb Wg will attack flak concentrations prior to P-Hour. F/B will accompany Troop Carrier columns and attack any active flak along route.	M/B will make no attacks in vicinity of DZ and LZs. Dive bomber attacks in vicinity of DZs and LZs will be limited to frags and instantaneous fuzes.
6	First TACAF (XII TAC) (1st FAF)	Interdict rail lines.	RR lines between drop area and Swiss Border	To prevent enemy troops from escaping from the Black Forest area	Begin D minus 1 day and continue until ground troops reach the Swiss border.	XII TAC is responsible for rail cuts east of main rail line HORB (W7085) - TUTTLINGEN (W7631) - SINGEN (W8368), inclusive. First FAF is responsible for rail cuts west of the above rail line.
7	8th Air Force	Counter air force	Fighter screen for area outside of First TACAF area extending to the East. See Ser No. 9, col. G.	Provide protection against GAF during critical period.	D-Day P-Hour minus 60 minutes until P-Hour plus 4 hours and 30 minutes	Strafe any suitable targets outside First TACAF area before returning to base. Include patrol of following 4 airfields in area: SCHLESSEIM WY-8467 MUNICH-RIEM WY-9556 MEMINGEN WX-8639 LECHFELD WY-3260

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AIR OPERATIONS

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SER. NO.	AIR FORCE	TARGET OR TASK	TARGET LOCATION	OBJECT	DAY AND TIME	REMARKS
1	First TACAF (First FAC)	Counter air force	First TACAF area. See remarks.	Area cover	Begin P Hour minus 1 hour and continue thru D-Day. Daily there- after.	After D-Day extent will depend on reaction of GAF. First TACAF resources will primarily be employed in area: KARLS- RUHE southeast along main highway to ULM, south along main railroad to FRIEDRICHSHAEFEN, west along SWISS BORDER to RHINE RIVER, north along RHINE to KARLSRUHE. This will in- clude cover and strafing, if necessary, of the following airfields on D-Day as an added responsibility of First French Air Corps: DONAU ESCHINGEN W-5826 NEUHAUSEN OBECK W-8731 SCHUSSENRIED X-4327 LAUPHEIM X-6160 RISSTISSEN X-5767
2	First TACAF (XII TAC) (1st FAC)	Counter air force Target No.	Strafe 13 airfields in ULM, MUNICH and INGOLSTADT areas.	Destroy airer- aft on air- fields and in- stallations.	D minus 2 Day	First French Air Corps strafe 5 airfields listed in Ser. No. 1, col. G. XII TAC strafe remaining 6 airfields.
		GU-3929 GU-4048 GU-4198 GU-4063 GU-4691 (a) GU-4114 GU-3991 GU-4422 GU-4005 GU-4434 GU-5902 GU-4042 GU-4319	INGOLSTADT T7919 SCHLEISSENHEIM Y8467 LEIPHEIM-JET X8585 LECHFELD-JET Y3260 LABLINGEN Y310893 NEUBURG-JET T5618 MEMMINGEN-JET X8639 RISSTISSEN X-5767 NEUHAUSEN-OB-ECT W8731 DONAU-ESCHINGEN W5826 SCHUSSENRIED X4237 MUNICH-RHEM JET Y9556 LAUPHEIM X6160			

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8	8th Air Force	Escort for 8th AF resupply missions.	Escort on prescribed route to R2126	Protection of resupply against GAF	D-Day. D plus 1 Day, if required.	First TACAF (XII TAC) will escort bombers on D Day only, while in the First TACAF area. 8th AF will provide own escort if resupply mission is required on D plus 1 Day.
9	9th Air Force	Counter air force	Fighter screen for area north and north east of First TACAF area.	Provide protection against GAF during the critical period.	D-Day F-Hour minus 60 minutes to F-Hour plus 4 hours and 30 minutes	Strafe any suitable targets outside First TACAF area before returning to base. 8th AF and 9th AF areas of responsibility are outside of First TACAF area, respectively south and north of line from ULM-AUGSBURG - thence due east. Include control of following airfields in area: LEIPHEIM AF 8585 LABLINGEN WY3189 INGOLSTADT WT7919 NEUBURG WT5618
10	9th Air Force	Escort for all Troop Carrier aircraft.	Escort all Troop Carrier aircraft from METZ to R2126 and reciprocal course	Protection of Troop Carrier aircraft against GAF	D-Day. Exact timing to be determined from Troop Carrier Command Schedule.	First TACAF takes over escort at R2126, accompanies to DZ area and returns to R2126.
11	8th AF 9th AF First TACAF (42 Bomb WG)	Counter airfield program	See Serial 2, col. D	To posthole airfields in order to make them nonoperational.	D minus one day	The following air forces will bomb the following airfields on D minus 1 day as follows: <u>EIGHTH AIR FORCE:</u> 1. SCHEISSENHEIM 2. LECHFIELD 3. MEMMINGEN 4. RISSTISSEN 5. SCHUSSENRIED 6. MUNICH-RIEM 7. LAUFHEIM <u>NINTH AIR FORCE:</u> 1. INGOLSTADT 2. LEIPHEIM 3. LOBLINGEN 4. NEUBURG <u>FIRST TACAF (42 BOMB WG)</u> 1. NEUHAUSEN 2. DONAU-ESCHINGEN

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OPERATION EFFECTIVE

AGENDA FOR CONFERENCE 18 APRIL 1945

INTRODUCTION

1. Broad description of plans:
 - a. Ground operation for EFFECTIVE, Sixth Army Group.
 - b. Troop carrier plan including routing and timing (F.A.A.A.)
 - c. Tactical air plan for escort, counter air force, interdiction and anti-flak.

DISCUSSION OF AIR TASK OR TARGETS

1. Air cover and fighter screens - Serial Numbers 1, 7, 10.
 - a. First TACAF has primary responsibility for DZ and LZ, and in addition First TACAF resources will be employed in the following area: KARLSRUHE Southeast along main highway to ULM, South along main railroad to FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, West along Swiss Border to Rhine River, North along Rhine to KARLSRUHE.
 - b. Eighth and Ninth Air Forces area of responsibility are outside of First TACAF area, respectively South and North of line from ULM, AUGSBURG, thence due East.
 - c. Is straffing any suitable targets of opportunity before return to base considered proper assignment for fighter aircraft?
 - d. Eighth and Ninth Air Forces fighter screens are scheduled continuously through P-Four minus 60 minutes to P-Hour and end of drop. This is designed to patrol airfields in MUNICH, INGOLSTADT and ULM areas preceding drop and provide screen throughout entire drop period.

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2. Fighter escort for Troop Carrier and Resupply missions. Serial Numbers 4, 9, 12.
 - a. It is understood that Ninth Air Force escorts all Troop Carrier aircraft to First TACAF area. First TACAF will take over escorting responsibility from Ninth Air Force at First TACAF area for Troop Carrier aircraft, and maintain escort through First TACAF area and to a point outside of this area. The Eighth Air Force will escort their own Bombers, if desired, on resupply mission to a point near that First TACAF area, where at this point First TACAF assumes responsibility for escort to the DZ and LZ area, then to the point of exit from the First TACAF area.
 - b. If there is no evidence of hostile aircraft action upon exit from First TACAF area, further escort should not be necessary.
3. Anti-Flak. Serial number 5.
 - a. Medium bombers and Fighter bombers can neutralize critical flak positions likely to engage Troop Carrier aircraft to and from DZs and LZs.
 - b. It is understood that all bombing in DZ and LZ areas will be accomplished with fragmentation bombs or bombs with instantaneous fuses to prevent any cratering of landing areas.
4. Attack on airfields in ULM, INGOLSTADT and MUNICH areas. Serial numbers 2, 8, 11.
 - a. On D minus 2 and D minus 1, First TACAF will dive bomb and strafe airfields in ULM, MUNICH and INGOLSTADT area. Serial number 2: On D Day First TACAF will cover 5 airfields in the ULM area and execute strafing attacks prior to P-Hour.
 - b. On D Day, prior to P-Hour, the Eighth Air Force will strafe 4 airfields in the MUNICH area. Serial number 8.
 - c. On D Day, prior to P-Hour, Ninth Air Force will strafe 4 airfields in the INGOLSTADT area. Serial number 11.

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5. Close support missions in the First TACAF area. Serial number 3.

a. XII Tactical Air Command will furnish one Fighter Control Team, (or two) complete with VHF radio to accompany the Airborne landing, thus providing close support with the minimum lapse of time.

b. Armed reconnaissance against targets of opportunity.

6. Medium Bombers of the 42nd Bomb Wing will execute an interdiction program to isolate enemy troops in the Black Forest area in conjunction with available fighter bombers of First TACAF. Serial number 6.

GENERAL ITTMS

1. At least two emergency airfields for the FAAA should be provided.
2. The restriction of anti-aircraft firing on all aircraft over prescribed route in and out from DZ and IZ for the distance of ten miles on either side of Troop Carrier route is recommended.
3. In view of possible intruder missions by enemy aircraft, could Ninth Air Force Night Fighters assist? Area North and East of drop area should be covered.

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PRE-ARRANGED AIR PROGRAM

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SER NO	AIR FORCE	TARGET OR TASK	TARGET LOCATION	OBJECT	DAY AND TIME	REMARKS
1	First TACAF	Counter air force	First TACAF area. See remarks.	area cover.	Begin P-Hour minus 1 hour and continue thru D-Day. Daily thereafter.	After D-Day extent will depend on reaction of GAR. First TACAF resources will be primarily employed in area; KARLSRUHE southeast along main highway to ULM, south along main railroad to FRIEDRICHSHAEFEN, west along SWISS BORDER to RHINE RIVER, north along RHINE to KARLSRUHE.
2	First TACAF	Counter air force Target Number: GU-3529 GU-4048 GU-4198 GU-4063 GU-4691 (a) GU-4114 GU-3991 GU-4122 GU-4005 GU-4434 GU 5902 GU-4042 GU-4319	Dive bomb and strafe 13 airfields in ULM, MUNICH and INGOLSTADT areas. INGOLSTADT T-7919 SCHLEISSENHEIM Y-8467 LEIPHEIM-JET X-8585 LECHFELD-JET Y-3260 LABLINGEN Y-310893 NEUBURG-JET T-5618 MEMMINGEN-JET X-8639 RISSTISSEN X-5767 NEUHAUSEN-OB-ECT W-8731 DONAU-ESCHINGEN W-5826 SCHUSSENRIED X-4237 MUNICH-RIEM-JET Y-9556 LAUPHEIM X-6160	Destroy aircraft on air-field and damage installations.	D-2 Day D-1 Day	On D-Day the First TACAF will cover and strafe the five airfields in the first TACAF area. Airfields as follows: 1. DONAU ESCHINGEN W-5826 2. NEUHAUSEN OBECK W-8731 3. SCHUSSENRIED X-4327 4. LAUPHEIM X-6160 5. RISSTISSEN X-5767

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3	First TACAF	Armed Reconnaissance	First TACAF area.	Locate and destroy enemy movements.	Begin P-Hour minus 1 hour and continue thru D-Day, daily thereafter	
4	First TACAF	Escort for all Troop Carrier aircraft.	Furnish escort to Troop Carrier and resupply aircraft while operating in First TACAF AREA	Protection of Troop Carrier aircraft against GAF	D-Day P-Hour	Time required for drop?
5	First TACAF	Enemy flak concentrations.	Vicinity of DZs and LZs.	Neutralize flak likely to engage Troop Carrier aircraft entering DZ and LZ areas.	D-Day	Bombings in vicinity of DZs and LZs should be limited to frags and instantaneous fuses. No bombing in DZs and LZs during period of 5 hours immediately preceeding P-Hour. Attacks limited to strafing during this period.
6	First TACAF	Interdict rail and road lines	East and West RR lines between drop area and Swiss border.	To prevent enemy troops from escaping from the Black Forest area	Begin D-1 and continue until ground troops reach the Swiss border	Medium bombers of 42nd Bomb Wing and fighter-bombers of the First French Air Corps and available fighter-bombers of the XII TAC will also be used.
7	Eighth Air Force	Counter air force	Fighter screen for area outside of First TACAF area extending to the East.	Provide protection against GAF during critical period	D-Day P-Hour minus 60 minutes until P-Hour plus - - - -	Strafe any suitable targets outside First TACAF area before returning to base. One hour preceeding P-Hour should include patrol of airfields in the MUNICH area
	Eighth Air Force	Counter air force targets: 1. SCHIESSHEIM A/F 2. MUNICH/RIEM A/F 3. MEMINGEN A/F 4. LECH FELD A/F	WY-8467 WY-9556 WY-8639 WY-3260	Destroy aircraft on airfields and damage installations.	D-Day prior to P-Hour	Repeat if necessary at end of fighter screen mission. See Serial No. 7.

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9	Eighth Air Force	Escort for Eighth Air Force	Escort to a point near first TACAF area	Protection of resupply against GAF	D-Day D-Day plus 1	
10	Ninth Air Force	Counter air force	Fighter screen for area north and northeast of First TACAF area	Provide protection against GAF during the critical period	D-Day P-Hour minus 60 minutes to P-Hour plus - - -	Strafe any suitable targets outside first TACAF area before returning to base. Division between the Eighth Air Force and Ninth Air Force fighter screens is as follows: ULM, AUGSBURG, then due East. One hour preceeding P-Hour should include patrol of airfields in the INGOLSTADT area.
11	Ninth Air Force	Counter air force Targets: 1. LEIDHEIM A/F 2. LAH INGEN A/F 3. INGOLSTADT A/F 4. NELBURG A/F	WX-6160 WY-3189 WT-7919 WT-5618	Destroy aircraft on air fields and damage installations.	D-Day prior to P hour	Repeat if necessary at end of fighter screen mission. See Serial number No. 10.
12	Ninth Air Force	Escort for all troop carrier aircraft.	Escort to KARLSRUHE	Protection of Troop Carrier aircraft against GAF	D-Day	

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Signal Plan for Operation "EFFECTIVE"

Part I - WIRE

1. Wire speech and teletypewriter circuits will be provided as follows:

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First TACAF Adv - Eighth Air Force	1 plus 1
First TACAF Adv - Ninth Air Force	1 plus 1
First TACAF Adv - SHAEF Air Ops	1 plus 1
First TACAF Adv - Sixth Army Group	5 plus 2
First TACAF Adv - XII Tactical Air Command Adv	3 plus 2
First TACAF Adv - First French Air Corps Main	2 plus 2
First TACAF Adv - 42nd Bomb Wing	1 plus 1

Service date for above not later than 0800 hours 20 April 1945.

2. Telephone Code Names and Teletype Call Signs as follows:

	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>Teletype</u>
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First TACAF Main	Express	AAT
First Allied Airborne Army	Midnight	JEAB
Ninth Air Force Adv	Gangway Adv	JEAD
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First French Air Corps Main	Peguy	PEGY
42nd Bomb Wing	Nephew	LCIK

Part II - HF/WT Point to Point Radio Nets

1.a. First TACAF Net F-8 to be opened at 0800 hours 20 April as one-to-one net between First TACAF Adv and First Allied Airborne Army.

<u>Headquarters</u>	<u>Call Signs</u>
First TACAF Adv	JETF (NCS)
First Allied Airborne Army	R27
Frequencies: 4885 kcs day and 3576 kcs night.	

For JETF station First TACAF will provide equipment and First Allied Airborne Army will provide operating personnel. No traffic except procedure signals to be passed over this net unless failure of other communications requires it.

b. First TACAF Net F-5 will continue in operation on present frequencies with the following stations and call signs:

<u>Station</u>	<u>Call Signs</u>
First TACAF Adv	JETF
First TACAF Main	A49
Eighth Air Force	JBAF
Western French Air Forces	Z35
42nd Bomb Wing	L04

At 1600 hours 20 April NCS will change from A49 to JETF. First Allied Airborne Army may enter this net if circumstances require it.

c. Eureka beacon net with stations at First TACAF Adv and at three (3) beacon sites.

<u>Station</u>	<u>Call Signs</u>
First TACAF Adv	JETF (NCS)

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<u>Station</u>	<u>Call Signs</u>
PUTT beacon	W25
CADDY beacon	X95
SLICE beacon	D02

Frequencies: 4595 kcs day and 2380 kcs night.

NCS to open net at 1200 hours on D-1. Beacon stations will check into net as soon as possible thereafter. Net schedule will be directed by NCS. Special M-209 converter settings furnished by First Allied Airborne Army will be used. Equipment and personnel for all stations, including NCS, to be provided by IX Troop Carrier Command. Equipment and personnel for NCS to arrive at First TACAF not later than 20 April.

d. Combat Control Team Net.

<u>Station</u>	<u>Call Signs</u>
First Allied Airborne Army	R27 (NCS)
PUTT beacon	W25
Combat Control Team	T08

Frequencies: 3856 kcs day and 2484 kcs night.

Net will be monitored by XII Tactical Air Command. Net will be opened immediately following glider landings. Special M-209 converter settings and one time pads, distributed to all concerned by First Allied Airborne Army, will be used.

Part III - Troop Carrier Navigational Aids - MF and Eureka Beacons

1. MF beacons will be provided as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Power</u>
SLICE	48° 49' 55" N 08° 01' 40" E	1696 kcs	75 Watts
PUTT	49° 05' 25" N 06° 12' 20" E	1518 kcs	75 Watts

Beacons will operate from P-hour minus 80 minutes to completion of airborne operation.

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2. Eureka beacons will be used at sites to be announced in message by First Allied Airborne Army. Frequency range will be from 218 to 236 mcgs. Beacons will be in operation from approximately P-80 minutes to approximately P plus 220 minutes on D day. During resupply missions beacons will operate from approximately one hour before the time of arrival of the first troop carrier serial until the last troop carrier serial has left the area.

3. Due to the impossibility of rebriefing complete troop carrier serials, and the paramount importance of navigational aids which cannot therefore be moved in cases where mutual interference is experienced between navigational aids and Air Force Radio or Radar units, the latter will be closed down or resited.

Part IV - Forward Fighter Control (Air Support Party)
with 13th Airborne Division

1. Two Forward Fighter Controls will accompany the 13th Airborne Division. One is to operate, the other to be a standby.

2. The operational Forward Fighter Control will establish a point to point HF/VT channel to VI Corps, under arrangements made by Seventh Army, utilizing special ciphers, furnished by Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army.

3. XII Tactical Air Command will furnish a controller to each Forward Fighter Control, and will also furnish necessary crystals for the ground VHF sets. The controllers will be responsible for detailed signal briefing of their respective Forward Fighter Controls. This will be done by controllers under arrangements made directly with Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

NED SCHRAM,
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(INFO)	P	4. AIR STAFF SHAEP FORWARD

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SUBJECT: Airborne Operation "EFFECTIVE".

TO : Commanding General, 13th Airborne Division, APO 333,
U S Army.

1. Reference is made to letter this Headquarters dated
5 April 1945, subject as above.

2. Herewith for your information Appendix "D", Flak Defenses,
to Outline Plan.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRERETON:

W. F. SMITH,
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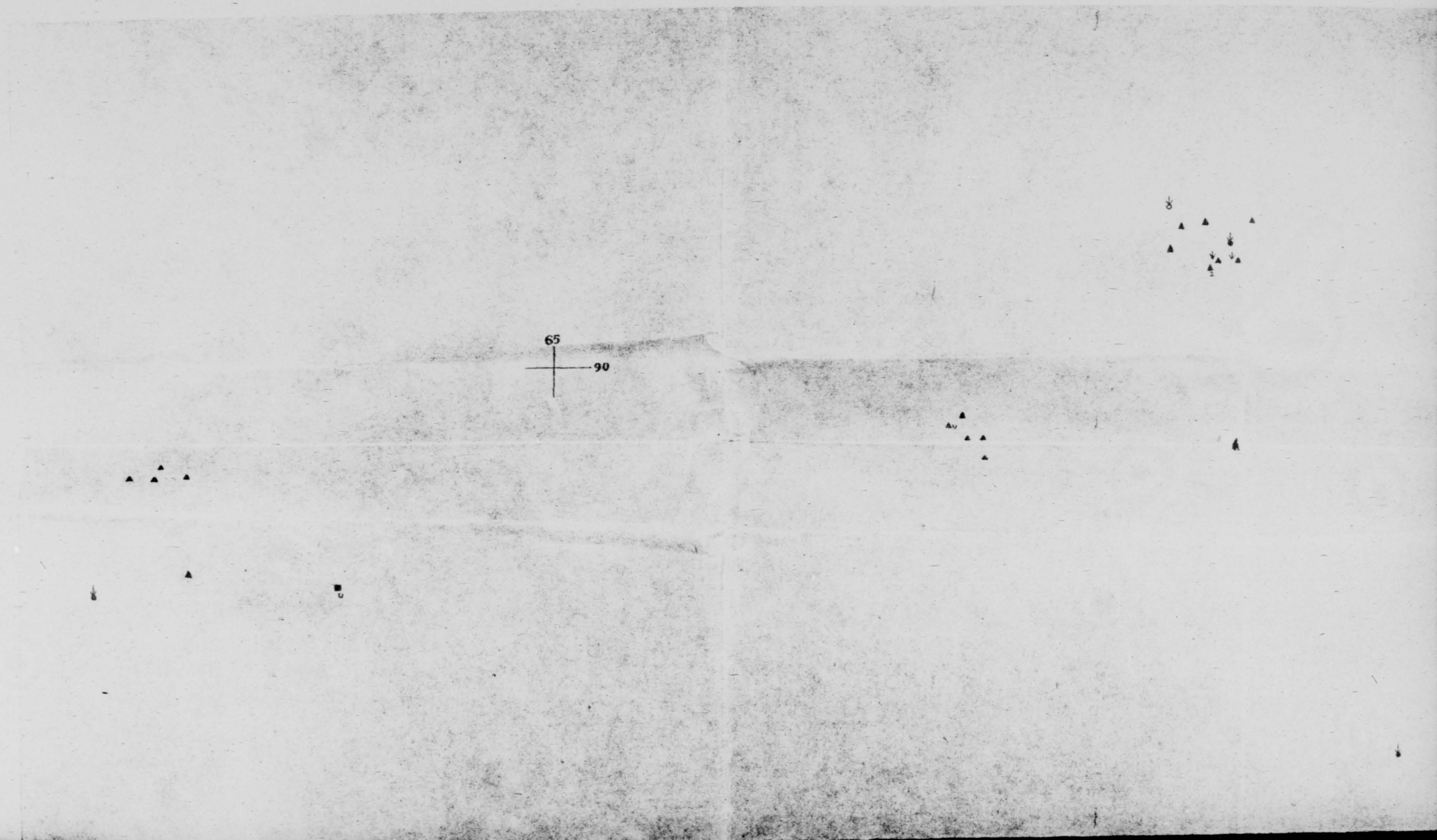
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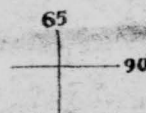
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APO 740, U S Army
5 April 1945

SUBJECT: Airborne Operation "EFFECTIVE".

TO : Commanding General, 13th Airborne Division, APO 333, U S Army.

1. The Supreme Commander has approved the allocation of the 13th Airborne Division to the Commanding General, SIXTH ARMY GROUP, for planning purposes. Final approval of the specific project is being withheld pending an examination by Supreme Headquarters of the outline plan.

2. Attached herewith is the outline plan with Appendices "A", "C", "F" and "G". Appendices "B", "D" and "E" will follow in the immediate future.

3. It is desired that you immediately engage in such detailed planning as will enable you to mount this operation with a minimum delay in the event that it is approved by the Supreme Commander.

By command of Lieutenant General BREERTON:

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OUTLINE PLAN FOR AIRBORNE OPERATION "EFFECTIVE"

1. References:

- a. Maps - Germany, 1/100,000 - Sheet W-3, REUTLINGEN
Sheet X-3, SCHWENNINGEN
- b. Appendix "A" - Estimate of Enemy Situation (Ground).
Appendix "B" - Defense Overprint.
Appendix "C" - Estimate of Enemy Situation (Air).
Appendix "D" - Flak Defenses.
Appendix "E" - Counter Intelligence.
Appendix "F" - Possible DZ's and LZ's.
Appendix "G" - BISINGEN AIRFIELD.

2. OBJECT:

To secure an airhead in the vicinity of BISINGEN to which the armor of SEVENTH ARMY can advance in an envelopment of the BLACK FOREST area from the north and east.

3. ASSUMPTIONS:

It is assumed -

- a. That no organized enemy resistance will be encountered in the BISINGEN area.
- b. That the armor of the SEVENTH ARMY is capable of advancing rapidly through a disorganized enemy and is capable of reaching the airborne division without undue delay.
- c. That the establishment of an airhead in this area will furnish the advancing armor with a vitally needed supply point and with Infantry to sustain the momentum of its advance.
- d. That it is the intention of the CG, SIXTH ARMY GROUP to disrupt enemy communications in the BISINGEN area.
- e. That the advancing armored force will reach the airborne division within three (3) days after the operation is launched.

4. INFORMATION:

a. Terrain:

BISINGEN lies in the HECKAR valley. It is bounded on the east and south by the SCHWABENSCHE ALB, a heavily wooded, mountainous area, and on the NW by the BISINGER BERG. The terrain around BISINGEN is high and gently rolling, broken up into small fields in the immediate vicinity of the town. Beyond the BISINGER BERG large open fields exist. Road communication throughout the area is excellent.

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b. Existing Airfield:

The area selected has one existing airfield, known as the BISINGEN airfield, the capture of which should present no major problem. It lies along the highway $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile NW of BISINGEN. For description see Appendix "G".

c. Possible DZ's and LZ's:

The valley between HECHINGEN and BALENGEN, although not abounding in DZ's and LZ's, does offer sufficient DZ's and LZ's for one airborne division. For possible DZ's and LZ's see Appendix "F". This appendix has been prepared to assist the division commander, but should not be considered as limiting him in his choice of DZ's and LZ's.

d. Range:

The area lies approximately 300 miles from PARIS, and therefore lies well within the operational range of single glider tow.

5. AIRBORNE TROOPS AVAILABLE:

13th US Airborne Division.

6. AIR FORCES:

a. Air Forces Available:

LX Troop Carrier Command.
Other Air Forces as allocated by Air Staff SHAEP.

b. Mission:

To transport and ensure the safe arrival of the Airborne Division in the selected area as prescribed.
To provide the necessary resupply for maintaining the Airborne Division until such time as this can be accomplished by other means.

c. Air Bombardment:

Pre D-Day bombardment should be conducted on targets that might effect the operation.
If D-Day bombardment is considered necessary for flak neutralization, the operation will have to be so scheduled as to allow ample time for visual bombing prior to arrival of Troop Carrier columns over effected areas.

d. Fighter Protection:

Fighter cover and escort should be provided Troop Carrier aircraft at all times. Fighters and fighter-bombers should precede and accompany columns, and should attack any batteries, guns, or troops firing on troop carrier aircraft in order to maintain flak neutralization.

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e. Troop Carrier:

Troop Carrier aircraft will perform normal mission of transporting and resupplying the Airborne Division. Details on lifts, routes and schedules will be worked out by the division commander in conjunction with IX Troop Carrier Command.

f. Resupply:

Scheduled parachute resupply, other than on D-Day, should not be necessary. Emergency resupply should be provided for. Necessary fighter protection should be furnished for all resupply missions.

7. MISSION:

To land in the BISINGEN area, disrupt enemy communications, seize the airfield and establish an airhead for the armor of the SEVENTH ARMY.

8. COMMAND:

a. Airborne Task Force:

Major General E. C. Chapman will command the Airborne Division. When contact is made by ground troops, the Airborne Force will come under the command of CG, SEVENTH ARMY, or such Corps Commander as he may designate.

b. Troop Carrier Forces:

Major General P. L. Williams will command the Troop Carrier Force.

9. TIMING:

The operation can be mounted at any time after 7 April on 48 hours notice, providing weather permits return of troop carrier planes to their marshalling fields.

10. PLANNING:

- a. Detailed airborne planning will be carried out under the direction of CG, 13th Airborne Division in conjunction with CG, IX Troop Carrier Command. Representatives of the CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY (G-2), (G-3), (G-4), will be present at all conferences. CG, 13th Airborne Division will notify CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY of all conferences to be held.
- b. Detailed ground planning will be carried out between CG, 13th Airborne Division and CG, SEVENTH ARMY, or such Corps Commander as he may designate. Representatives of the CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY (G-2), (G-3), (G-4), will be present at all conferences. CG, 13th Airborne Division will notify CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY of all conferences to be held.
- c. Details concerning air protection and demands for air support for the airborne task force on the ground will be worked out in conjunction with the CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY (G-3).
- d. CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY will be responsible for mounting the operation.
- e. Demands for maps, defense overprints, photo cover and other intelligence information will be submitted to CG, FIRST ALLIED AIRBORNE ARMY (G-2) immediately.

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OPERATION "EFFECTIVE"
APPENDIX "A"
ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SITUATION (GROUND)

(Information as at 3 April 1945)

1. APPRECIATION OF ENEMY'S PRESENT SITUATION

The enemy's overall situation in the West now appears irremediable. With the bulk of his forces thoroughly disorganized, and with the chain of command clearly strained near to breaking point, Kesselring can at present make only half-hearted attempts to stem the tidal wave sweeping thick and fast into GERMANY. That he is trying feverishly to organize a ne plus ultra line is evident; but such a line demands two important pre-requisites - men to build it and time in which to organize it - and both are lacking. It is hardly surprising, therefore, that the enemy should tend to concentrate on the area where a furious defense has been forced upon him - in the RUHR pocket - leaving the rest of the long front to fend for itself as best it can.

On the stretch between KARLSRUHE and the SWISS frontier it is difficult to see how Kesselring can interpose any except natural obstacles between the Allies and the heart of SOUTHERN GERMANY. Directly opposite the French First Army are the remnants of Nineteenth Army, never recovered from its rough handling West of the RHINE. It is thought still to control two Corps (18 SS and 64) and five and a half nominal Divisions (189, 405, 708, 716, 805 and 1005 Bde). These divisions, long since robbed of such combat troops as escaped from the COLMAR Debacle, are now little more than divisional staffs controlling a motley collection of local defense troops, frontier guards, police regiments and Russian "volunteers". The best measure of their fighting ability is the fact that they have not been called North to block the road to BERLIN.

On the left of Nineteenth Army is the somewhat tenuous Twenty-fourth Army, supposedly guarding the SWISS frontier against a gigantic improbable Allied right hook. Nothing is known of its strength and dispositions, but it is not believed to control any units more menacing than frontier guards.

On Nineteenth Army's right flank the rather better relics of First Army are being driven inexorably South-East between KARLSRUHE and WURZBURG. 17 SS PG, the only one of its ten divisions to lay claim to Panzer type, is in the best shape and attempting to stop the rot about HEILBRONN. The remainder are all infantry divisions, well under strength.

Should the momentum of the Allies' drive to HEILBRONN carry them South to STUTTGART, Nineteenth Army will have no option but to fall back behind the NECKAR River, using the KOCHER River as its Northern switch line as it attempts to hold the passes through the Swabian Alps and the crossings over the DANUBE. In its simplest terms the battle for MUNICH and SOUTHERN GERMANY resolves itself into the battles for STUTTGART and ULM: if these two are lost,

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then MUNICH is lost. With this in mind the enemy must be expected to concentrate well forward such Ersatz units as still remain in Wehrkreise V and VII. In the same way as he attempted to defend SOUTHERN GERMANY forward of the RHINE, in the VOSGES Mountains, so now must he attempt to defend his Bethlehem forward of the DANUBE. And if the number, and not the quality, of his troops were the criterion, then Kesselring might feel not unhappy about his Southern flank. But with such reserves as may still be magicked to the West from DENMARK and SCANDINAVIA clearly destined for the Northern and Central sectors, and with the RHINE WALL ruptured in so many places that it looks like a cattle fence, it will be surprising if the combined efforts of First and Nineteenth Armies, even when allied to the natural defensive possibilities of SW GERMANY, achieve more than a temporary slowing of what is clearly the final Allied advance.

2. FIELD FORMATIONS

The following list comprises units on the front and in immediate reserve. Strength estimates include both combat effectives and supply personnel.

UNIT	LOCATION	PERSONNEL	ARTY BNS	TANKS OR SP GUNS	REMARKS
246 VG Div	E of HEIL- BRONN (S06)	1500	1		Condition of div has been poor for some time. Has been out of combat since 29 March, but believed East of HEILBRONN.
17 SS PG Div	HEILBRONN (S06) Area	4000	2	30 (SP)	Escaped fairly intact from SAAR pocket, crossing RHINE in good order. Previously contacted at HANAU (M87) 26 March, then out of contact until present date.
559 VG Div	BAMMENTAL (R78)	2000	1	3 (SP)	Out of contact 29 March to 2 April. Was badly battered in SAARBRUECKEN pocket.
719 Inf Div	R85 Area	2000	1		Held SAARLAUTERN sector, where it was severely battered. Out of contact since 29 March but believed in EPPINGEN Area.
198 Inf Div	E of BRUCH- SAL (R65)	2000	1		Resurrected from COLMAR pocket by absorbing remnants of 708 and 716 Inf Divs. First recommitted in BAD KREUZNACH area from whence it was driven over the RHINE.

UNIT	LOCATION	PERSONNEL	ARTY BNS	TANKS OR SP GUNS	REMARKS
47 VG Div	BRUCHSAL (R65) Area	3000	2		Out of contact since 18 March until committed in present area. Previously held sector in SAAR West of HAGUENAU Forest until recent offensive drove it across the RHINE.
16 VG Div	W of BRUCHSAL (R65)	3500	2		Out of contact since 26 March. Evacuated from SAAR pocket via KARLSRUHE. Absorbed elts 245 VG Div and 905 Div z.b.V.
19 VG Div	Unlocated	3500	2	5 (SP)	Out of contact since about 16 March. Evacuated from SAAR pocket via KARLSRUHE and may be in that general area.
257 VG Div	N of KARLSRUHE (R44)	3500	2	5 (SP)	Out of contact since 21 March. Last to be evacuated from SAAR pocket, where it held open escape route.
905 Div z.b.V.	KARLSRUHE (R44) area	3000	2		Last identified 22 March. Had role of holding open escape route from SAAR pocket. Consists of Regts MARBACH and GIES- ECKE and Arty Unit SCHILLER. Believed in KARLSRUHE area.
405 Res Div	KEHL area (W0596)	5000	3		Assigned passive defense role on E bank of RHINE. Has suffered slight losses. Reported to be upgraded to a Reserve Div with Gren Regts 10, 11 or 12, and 14. Consists of Local Defense and Frontier Guard personnel.

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UNIT	LOCATION	PERSONNEL	ARTY BNS	TANKS OR SP GUNS	REMARKS
708 Inf Div	Unlocated	1000	1		Last reported in in ETTENHEIM (W06) area. Not much more than a div staff with some Landes- schuetzen and Volkssturm person- nel.
805 Div z.b.V.	BREISACH (V83) area	4000	3		Like 405 div, this unit is also re- sponsible for de- fenses on the East bank of the RHINE. Consists of two Volkssturm Regts and 3 Ukrainian Depot Regt.
1005 Bde	NEUENBURG (V81) area	3000	2		Stated by PW to con- trol seven Upper Rhine Regts, com- posed of former Frontier Guard and Local Defense per- sonnel. Responsible for E bank of RHINE.
716 Inf Div	MUELHEIM (V91) area	1000	1		Not much more than a div staff con- trolling some Volkssturm and other low-grade personnel.
BAUER Pz Bde (?)	KANDERN (V90) area	2500	1	15 (SP)	Believed to be actually only an infantry brigade, probably with SP AT guns, rather than tanks.
189 Inf Div	N of BASEL (A88) area	1000	1		Not much more than a div staff with low-grade personnel.
26 Werfer Regt	Unlocated	800			Last identified 23 March at R1554. May contain maximum of three bns each with 18x150mm or 210mm rocket launchers.
667 Assault Gun Bde	Unlocated	600		15 (SP)	Last identified 29 March at M6516. May have maximum of 42 assault guns (full WE/TO strength), but considered un- likely.

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UNIT	LOCATION	PERSONNEL	ARTY BNS	TANKS OR SP GUNS	REMARKS
280 Assault Gun Bde	Unlocated	600		25 (SP)	Last reported at FREIBURG (W03) on 10 Jan. Had been transferred from HOLLAND to SELE- STATT area in Dec 44, at which time it was reported with twenty-three assault guns.
1134 Fortress Arty Regt	SEEFELDEN (V91) area	1000	3		
Unidentified Arty Regt	LOERRACH (A99) area	1000	3		
Corps Troops (18 SS, 64 and 90 Corps)		1300			
19 Army HQ	FREIBURG (W03)	500			
24 Army	SWISS FRONTIER				No details known, but believed to control frontier guards.
First Army HQ	Unlocated	500			Last reported at SCHONAU (R7893).
Miscellany		7000	5	20	
TOTALS:		58,800	39 (470 guns excluding flak)	118	

3. RESERVES

a. Replacement Units.

The following is a list of Replacement and Miscellaneous Units within approximate thirty mile radius of BISINGEN. Locations are not pinpointed but represent a general area. Strengths are estimates based on interrogation and agents' reports. Due to the rapid advance of Sixth Army Group to the South it is impossible to say whether all these units have remained in their last reported locations. Some have undoubtedly sent at least elements to the North to meet the threat. Others have not been heard of for so long that they may have been disbanded. Since the present crisis has undoubtedly caused a hurried rate of absorption of replacements into needy combat divisions, and since Battle Groups have probably been formed within the Wehrkreis to supplement depleted combat formations, the strength of the individual replacement unit is probably at low ebb. Therefore, it is extremely difficult to gauge the exact number of reserves in the critical area. The total strength of Army personnel in the area excluding the VS is estimated at 12,250.

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UNIT	LOCATION	EST STRENGTH	REMARKS
5 Nachr. Ers. Abt.	BAD CANNSTATT	200	
18 Aufkl. Ers. Abt.	BAD CANNSTATT	300	
35 Aufkl. Ers. Abt.	BAD CANNSTATT	300	
5 Pz. Jäg. Ers. Abt.	BOEBLINGEN	300	
7 Pz. Ers. Abt.	BOEBLINGEN	100	Unit reported depleted.
75 Gr. Ers. Btl.	DONAUESCHINGEN	400	Bn reported under 465 Div. Nr.
358 Gr. Ers. Btl.	DONAUESCHINGEN	400	
Inf. Gesch. Ers. Kp.	DONAUESCHINGEN	100	
44 s. Art. Ers. Abt.	FORBACH	300	8 guns.
Truppenübungsplatz	HEUBERG	1500	Area is an active Tng Center. Russian, French and Hindu tps were reported there Feb. 45.
4 MG. Ers. Abt.	HORB	200	
5 Kf. Park Ers. Abt.	KORNWESTHEIM	200	
77 le. Art. Ers. Abt.	KORNWESTHEIM	300	8 guns
90 le. Art. Ers. Abt.	KORNWESTHEIM	300	8 guns
5 Inf. Gesch. Ers. Kp.	KORNWESTHEIM	100	2 guns
25 Inf. Pz. Jäg. Ers. Kp.	KORNWESTHEIM	100	
Kf. Park Truppen Schule	KORNWESTHEIM	50	
25 Art. Ers. Rgt. (Mot)	LUDWIGSBURG	100	
13 Gr. Ers. Btl.	LUDWIGSBURG	400	
86 Pz. Gr. Ers. Btl.	LUDWIGSBURG	400	
Truppenübungsplatz	MÜNSINGEN	1500	Area is an active Tng center. 600 Russian Div z.b.V. (4 Vol. Depot Rgt) reported there March 45.
215 Pz. Gr. Ers. Btl.	REUTLINGEN	400	PW taken at F7027 on 17 March.
424 Lds. Btl.	ROTTWEIL	500	Formerly at HEILBRONN
H-Uffz. Schule & Vorschule	SIEGMARINGEN	100	
H-Uffz. Schule	STETTEN	100	
465 Div. Nr.	STUTTGART	100	Probably controls the majority of Wkr V. Rpl. Units. Div. HQ also reported at LUDWIGSBURG.
25 Gr. Ers. Rgt.	STUTTGART/ ZUFFENHAUSEN	100	
90 Pz. Gr. Ers. Rgt.	STUTTGART	100	
119 Gr. Ers. Btl.	STUTTGART	400	
406 Lds. Btl.	STUTTGART	500	
25 Inf. Gesch. Ers. Kp.	STUTTGART	100	2 guns

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UNIT	LOCATION	EST STRENGTH	REMARKS
86 Inf. Nachr. Ers. Kp.	STUTTGART	100	
Offz. Schule	STUTTGART	50	
H-Uffz. Vorschule	STUTTGART	50	
78 Gr. Frs. Rgt.	TÜBINGEN ?	100	Regt. formerly at KOLMAR, may have returned to TÜBINGEN.
470 Gr. Ers. Btl.	TÜBINGEN	400	Under 465 Div. Nr.
78 Inf. Pz. Jäg. Ers. Kp.	TÜBINGEN	100	See 78 Gr. Ers. Rgt.
78 Inf. Gesch. Ers. Kp.	TÜBINGEN	100	See 78 Gr. Ers. Rgt. 2 guns.
260 Inf. Gesch. Ers. Kp.	TÜBINGEN	100	2 guns
Reichs San. Schule	TÜBINGEN	150	
Fahnenjunkerschule f. Pioniere	VAIHINGEN	50	
Kf. Park Schule	VAIHINGEN	50	
Ing. Offz. Akademie	VAIHINGEN	50	
Assorted L of C and miscel. Rpl. Troops	Unlocated	1000 12,250	

b. Para-Military Formations.

As the majority of the personnel from Para-Military formations has been drafted into the Volkssturm, Para-Military units as such have ceased to have tactical value. Consequently, they have been omitted from this list.

c. Volkssturm.

No detailed Order of Battle of the VS can be given as the total number of VS Bns in the area concerned is unknown. The VS in recent weeks has given a varied number of roles ranging from participation as units in divisional rear services to actual combat units. The equipment of the Volkssturm is still inadequate except when these units are incorporated into the Wehrmacht. A captured document of First Army provides for the induction of up to 25% of members of the VS Bns located in the operational area into the Field Replacement Bns of the individual combat divisions. Some Divisions are said to have improved on this practice by impressing every eligible male civilian who is unlucky enough either to reside in the divisional area or to live in a locality through which the division passes. Individual VS Bns are probably equipped with whatever weapons were borrowed from Replacement Depots, Police and the homes of local sportsmen. A larger allotment of AT weapons is probably made available when a crisis develops. Volkssturm units are used whenever an area in which they live becomes an area of operations. The scale of resistance is conditioned by:

- (1) Density of the population of the area, and
- (2) The period of time that has elapsed since the first warning was received by the Germans that such operations were imminent or had begun.

On the basis of the population in the area under consideration, it is estimated that the VS total might be in the neighborhood of some 10,000 men.

4. RATE OF COMMITMENT

a. The area under consideration, for the tactical employment of whatever reserves the enemy has, is bounded by the RHINE on the West, the SWISS frontier on the South, MUNICH to INGOLSTADT on the East, and thence West through STUTTGART to the RHINE. Large cities such as AUGSBURG, FREIBURG, MUNICH, STUTTGART and ULM are linked together by large super-highways. The road network in the area is extremely good, and depending on transportation available, the front which receives priority, and the troops available, it is estimated that the enemy could bring up a sizeable force on odds and ends with which to attempt to neutralize an airborne operation. From the information at hand there are no large units reported forming or reforming in the area. So far as is known, Replacement Units and miscellaneous troops form the greater part of the garrison.

It is questionable whether the enemy can obtain sufficient fuel to utilize his motor transport. His shortage of locomotives plus Allied air supremacy prevent him to a large extent from making use of his rail transportation; consequently the majority of the troops will have to be moved either by bicycle or on foot. Under favorable conditions, the enemy could commit at most 30% of his available forces at a rate approximately 8 times that indicated in the commitment chart. For units being sent from localities greater than 70 miles distant an additional day for preparation should be added.

b. Commitment Chart.

<u>LOCALITY</u>	<u>NO OF TROOPS</u>	<u>ROAD DISTANCE IN MILES</u>	<u>TIME NEEDED TO REACH AREA</u>
HORB W 78	200	16	8 hours
BOEBLINGEN R 91	400	20	12 hours
HEUBERG W 74	1500	20	12 hours
REUTLINGEN X 08	400	20	12 hours
ROTTWEIL W 65	500	20	12 hours
SIGMARINGEN X 14	100	20	12 hours
STETTEN X 07	100	20	12 hours
TUEBINGEN W 99	950	20	12 hours
MUENSINGEN X 28	1500	21	12 hours
BAD CANSTATT S 13	800	40	30 hours
DONAUESCHINGEN W 52	900	40	30 hours
FORBACH R 40	300	40	30 hours
KORNWESTHEIM S 03	1050	40	30 hours
LUDWIGSBURG S 03	900	40	30 hours
STUTTGART S 02	1500	40	30 hours
VAIHINGEN S 01	150	40	30 hours
WEINGARTEN X 41	1500	56	2 1/3 days
ULM X 67	1000	60	2 1/3 days
LOERRACH (24 Army A99 Sector)	500	90	3 1/2 days
AUGSBURG Y 37	1000	104	5 days
DONAUWOERTH T 21	500	104	5 days
LANDSBERG Y 34	1500	104	5 days
INGOLSTADT T 62	500	136	7 days
MUENCHEN Y 85	1500	144	7 days

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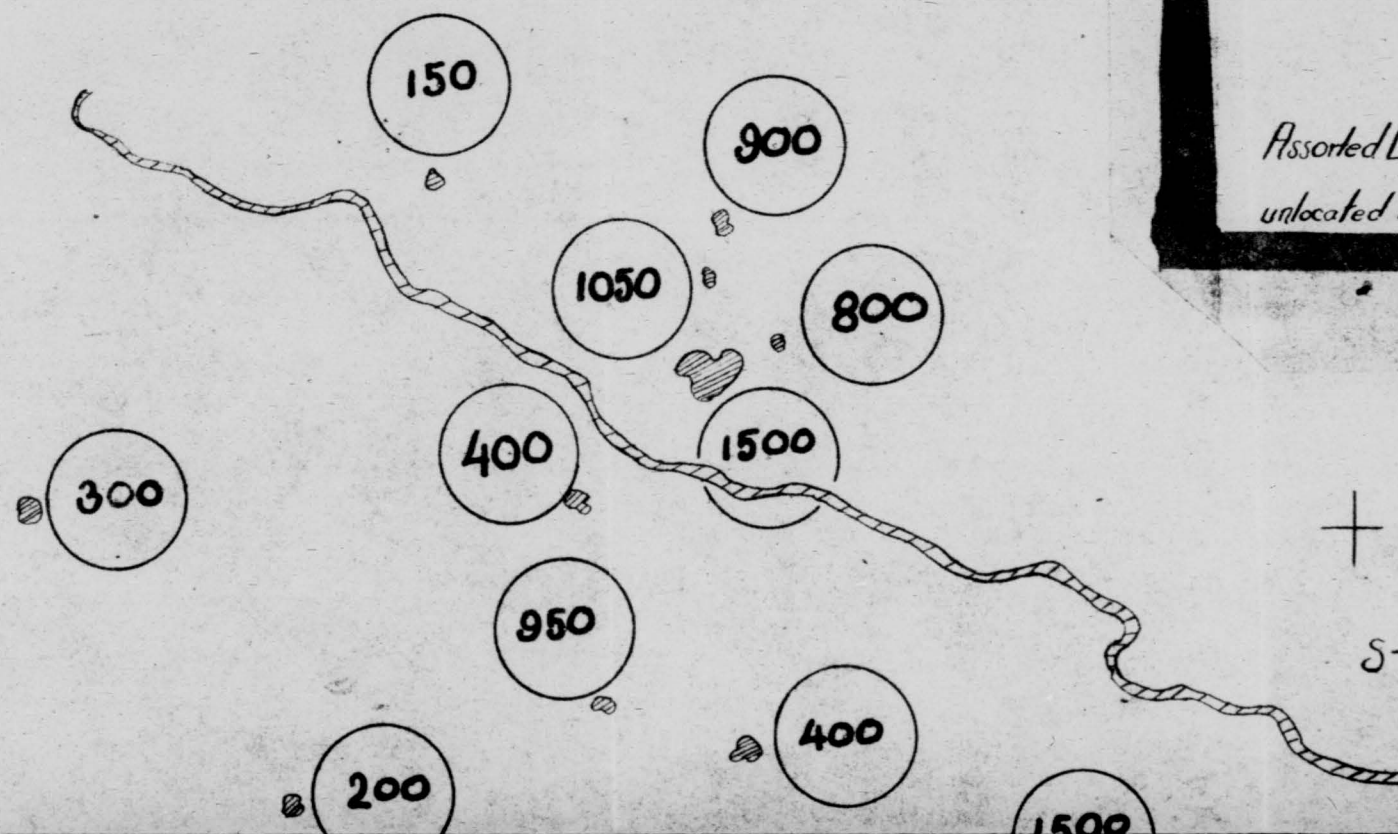
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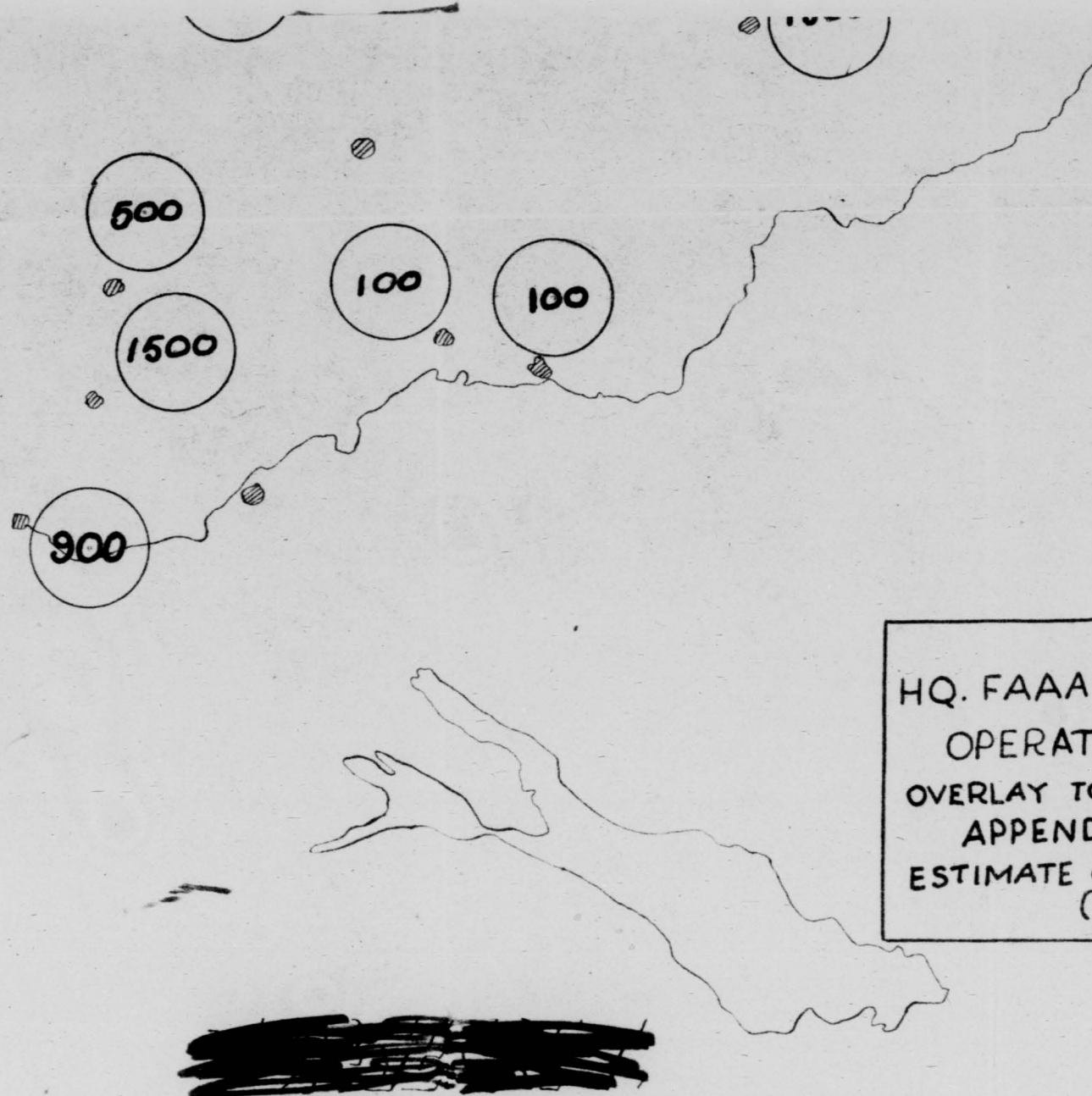
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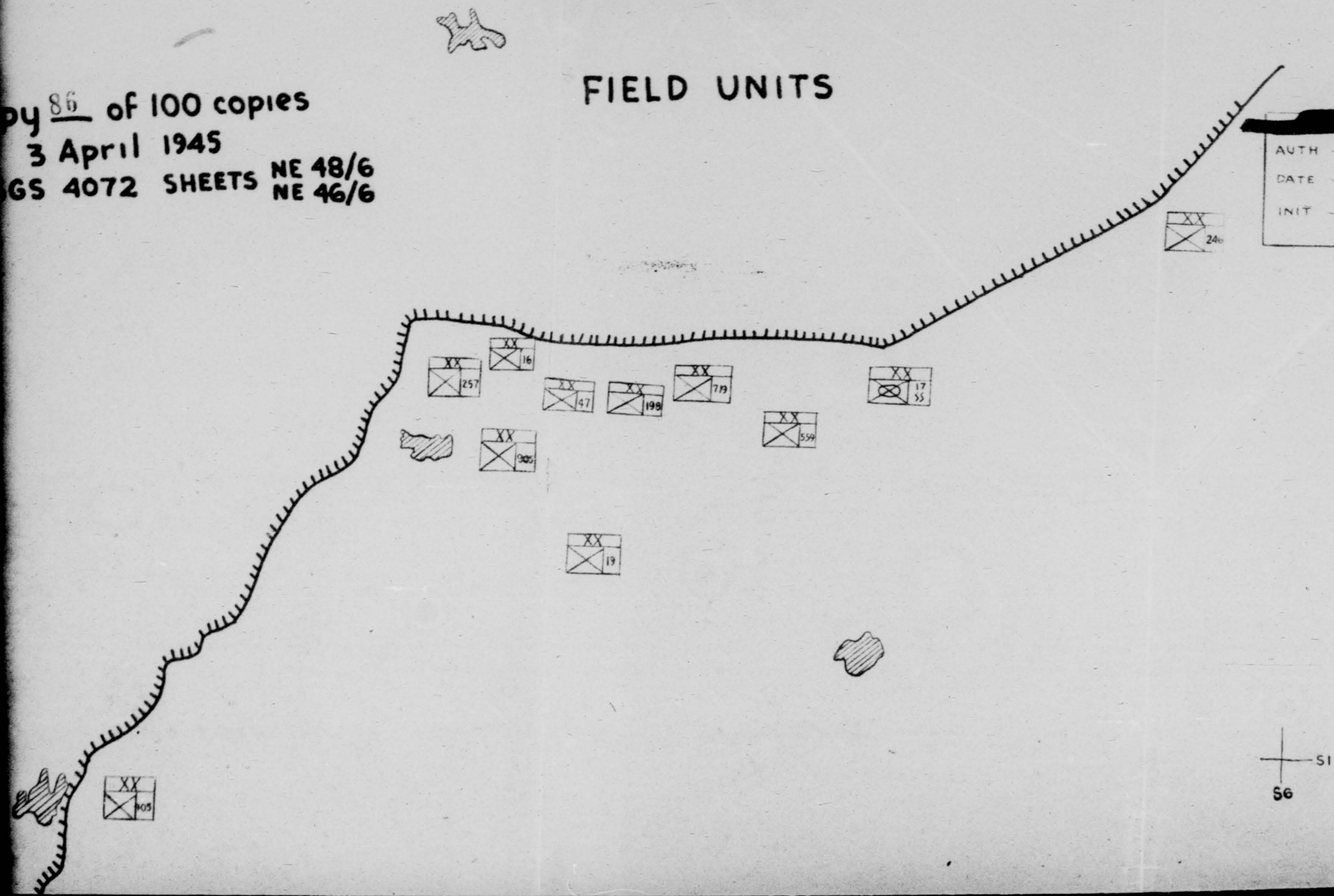
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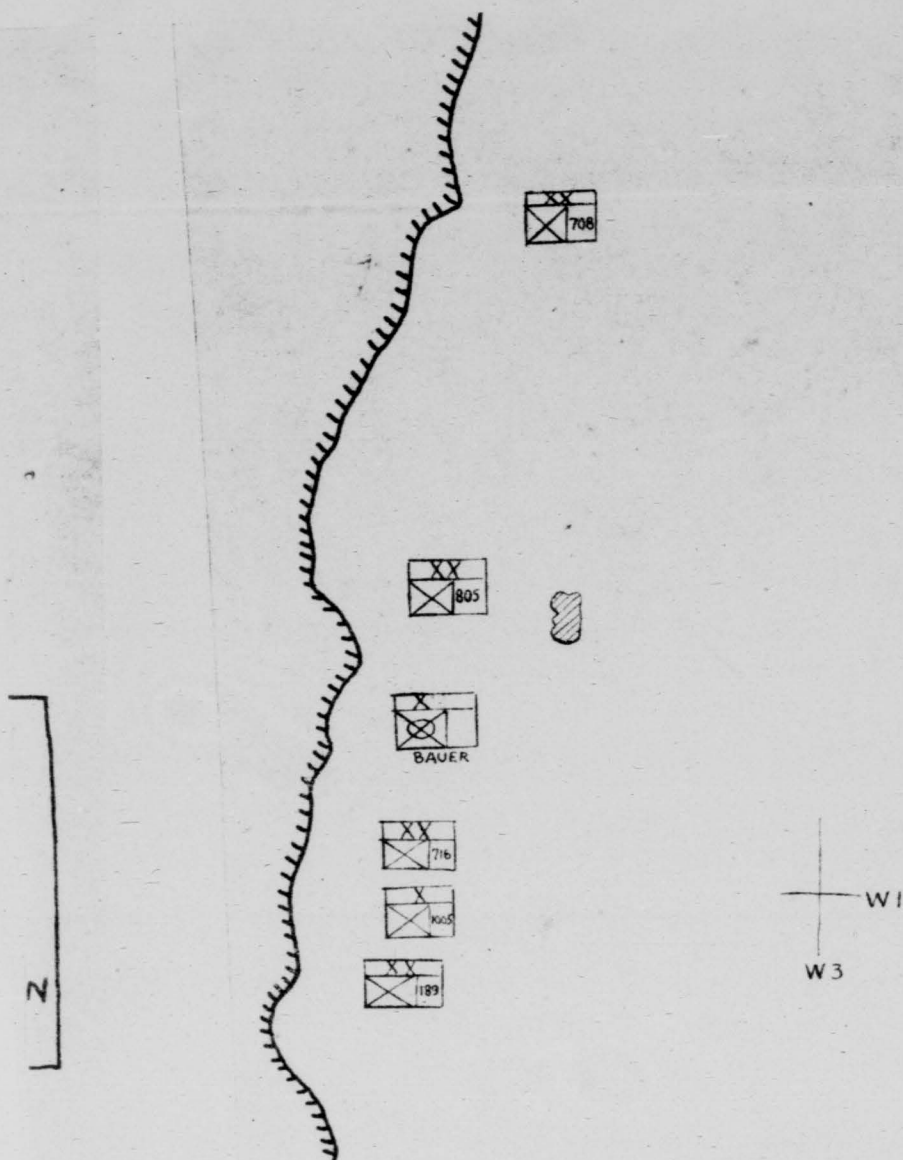
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4 April 1945OPERATION "EFFECTIVE"
APPENDIX "C"
ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SITUATION (AIR)
PART 1 - GERMAN AIR FORCE
(Information as at 3 April 1945)1. ORDER OF BATTLE

It is estimated that the following GAF elements are within immediate striking range of the selected objective:

Single-Engined Fighters	170
Ground-Attack (Day)	30
Ground-Attack (Night)	30
Twin-Engined Fighters (Day)	35
Twin-Engined Fighters (Night)	170
Reconnaissance	45
	480

Each of these categories is examined for its capacity to attack the airborne formations, and to hinder the development and use of the objective once it is captured.

2. a. Single-Engined Fighters

This force of about 170 FV-190's and Me-109's has been actively engaged over the Southern sector of the front for many months, first from the STUTTGART area, then for a brief spell from airfields near FRANKFURT, and now from STUTTGART again. Its maximum effort has been 100/125 sorties per day, and for several days an average of 50/75 has been maintained. Pilots are experienced and have not had the heavy losses suffered by other units operating further North. However, the force is much too small to offer effective opposition to the Allied fighters which would accompany an airborne formation. After the landing they might be able to cause some damage on the ground or assist in making further operations difficult by strafing attacks. It is thought more likely, though, that the advance of ground forces prior to the air-landing operation would render their present bases untenable, force them to leave, and perhaps drive them a considerable distance away in a rather disorganized state. If they can get into action it will most probably be in the form of ground-strafters, after the landing, with some of the aircraft fitted to take bombs or rocket-mortars.

b. Ground-Attack(1) Day

The available force consists of about 30 Me-262's, based originally at GIEBELSTADT and KITZINGEN, and now believed to be at least partially dispersed to neighbouring fields such as UNTERSCHLAUSBURACH. They have continued to operate in small formations over the Southern sector, and may put up a maximum of about 20 sorties per day. Their targets would be grounded gliders and troop assemblies, which would be attacked with anti-personnel bombs and perhaps some H.L. Later, when the real objective becomes revealed, they would probably attack it with 1,000-lb. or 500-lb H.L. bombs.

(2) Night

The usual night harassing bombing is to be expected, amounting to a maximum of 25 Ju-87 sorties per night, against the target area in general. These aircraft may also be used by day, but this practice has hitherto led to very severe losses.

c. Twin-Engined Fighters

(1) Day

The 35 T.E. day fighters shown are He-262 jets, believed to be still based at GIEBELSTADT and KITTLENGEN or their environs. Small reinforcements might be made available from training units on these and neighbouring airfields. Maximum effort is assessed at 20/25 sorties in 24 hours, either against troop-carrying aircraft enroute and over the assault area, or as ground-strafters against the usual targets, using 30mm cannon.

(2) Night

170 T... night fighters, mostly Ju-86's, are based within suitable range. As WESTL, their operations will almost certainly be confined to night ground-strafting, accompanied by some light bombing with anti-personnel bombs. Maximum effort would be about 50/75 sorties, or a sustained one of about 40/50 sorties for three nights if their bases allow reasonable conditions for take-off and landing.

d. Reconnaissance

Five to ten reconnaissance sorties per day are likely to be flown over the area, including one or two by jet aircraft.

3. SCALE OF EFFORT

Tabulating the above:

<u>Day</u>	<u>Max. per 24 hrs.</u>	<u>Average 3 days</u>
Single-Engined Fighters	100/125	50/75
Ground-Attack	20	10/15
Twin-Engined Fighters	20/25	10/15
Reconnaissance	5/10	5/10
<u>Night</u>		
Ground-Attack	25	10/20
Twin-Engined Fighters	50/75	50

Note: The above figures are necessarily based on the assumption that the available forces have no other commitments. With many other danger points existing along the Southern half of the front, they may well be fully engaged elsewhere and may offer little or no opposition to the airborne operation.

4. AIRFIELD SITUATION

Allied advances towards NUREMBERG and STUTTGART may compel the enemy to abandon the airfields in these two areas, in which case attempts would certainly be made to destroy all runways and landing strips. The fugitive G.F. squadrons would probably retire South-east and East towards MUNICH. Their operating efficiency would thereby be considered affected.

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5. CONCLUSION

No effective opposition is to be expected from the German Air Force. Bombing and strafing of the objective, both by day and night, must be reckoned with. On the other hand, the small forces available within immediate range would probably have their hands full elsewhere, and in any case the jet bomber strength is not enough to knock out the objective after capture. Combined bombing and strafing could, however, cause difficulties and hindrances in the development and use of this objective.

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ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SITUATION (AIR)
PART 2 - ENEMY AIRFIELD SITUATION
(Information as at 3 April 1945)

1. There are fifteen enemy airfield installations within approximately 25 miles of the area of the proposed operation.

2. Two of these, GROSSELFINGEN landing ground and DORMETTINGEN landing ground, are within a distance of approximately 10 miles of the described area. All information at hand concerning the first is in Appendix "C" and data concerning the second is set forth in Inclosure 1.

3. The remaining fields include four airfields, STUTTGART/ECHTERDINGEN, STUTTGART/BOBLINGEN, HAILFINGEN, and MINGEN, seven landing grounds, DECKENPFORRN, KIRCHHEIM, MOTZINGEN, EUTINGEN, DONAU ESCHINGEN/NORTH, DONAU ESCHINGEN, and NEUHUSEN-OB-ECK and two emergency landing grounds, SPAICHINGEN and VILLINGEN. Basic information on these installations is set forth in Inclosure 2.

4. Six of the fields in the latter group, MINGEN airfield, DONAU ESCHINGEN/NORTH, DONAU ESCHINGEN, and NEUHUSEN-OB-ECK landing grounds and SPAICHINGEN and VILLINGEN emergency landing grounds, are South of the proposed area of operation and the remainder are to the North, principally in the vicinity of STUTTGART.

5. Three of the airfields, STUTTGART/ECHTERDINGEN, HAILFINGEN, and MINGEN, have paved runways and the majority of the remaining installations have had fairly good serviceability records since 1 March 1945.

6. While many of these fields, particularly in the North, may be overrun by the advance of the ground forces the recent activity at such bases in the STUTTGART area as STUTTGART/BOBLINGEN, HAILFINGEN, and STUTTGART/ECHTERDINGEN, lead to the conclusion that the German Air Force will not abandon them until the last.

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Appendix C Part 2

Inclosure 1

1. GROSSELFINGEN (See Appendix G) Landing Ground

2. DORMETTINGEN Landing Ground

COORDINATES: 48°15'00"N Altitude: 2160 feet.
8°46'15"E

MAP REFERENCE: GSGS 4416 Central Europe, 1:100,000, Sheet No. We,
Grid Reference WW 7761.

LOCAL POSITION AND LANDMARKS: 8½ miles NE of ROTTWEIL, 8½ miles SW of GROSS-
ELFINGEN landing ground, ¾ miles NW of
DORMETTINGEN.

OBSTRUCTIONS: N. (boundary): Woods.
SE: DORMETTINGEN Village.

DIMENSIONS: 3150 feet ENE/WSW by 1800 feet NNN/SSE. The landing
area has two possible extensions;
(1) of 900 feet ENE
(2) of 1500 feet NW
which would give a run of 4500 feet E/W. Neither
extensions were serviceable on 25 Dec 44.

SURFACE: Grass. Temporary obstructions were seen in SE and
SW corners and on the possible NW extension on 25
Dec 44.

RUNWAYS: None (15 Feb 45).

FACILITIES: a. Hangars and Workshops: A small group of build-
ings approximately 1500 feet S of the SW corner
may be used as workshops.

DISPERSAL: Tracks lead from NW corner, N boundary and NE corner
along the edge of and through woods to a distance of
approximately 2100 feet from boundary.

ACCESS: a. Road: ROTTWEIL/TUBINGEN road lies 1½ miles SE.
Access to the landing ground is by a secondary
road via DORMETTINGEN.
b. Rail: Nearest station 1½ miles SE on the
ROTTWEIL/TUBINGEN line. A branch line serves
a quarry, which is within 1 mile of the landing
ground.

REMARKS: Landing ground is believed to have been constructed
in the late fall of 1944. Facilities for servicing
one group of fighters are believed to exist.

STATUS: Landing area was unserviceable on 29 March 1945.

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Enclosure 2

All map references are to
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Name	Sheet No. & Grid	Dimensions	Surface & Runways
3. STUTTGART/ ECHTERDINGEN A/F	W3 WS0810	3300 ft N/S by 4500 ft E/W	Grass. Runways: One concrete runway of 4500 ft ENE/WSW. 2 fan-shaped start- ing platforms 1 at NE corner and 1 at SW corner. A wide perimeter track encircles the land- ing area. Service- able as of 2 April 1945.
4. STUTTGART/ BOBLINGEN A/F	W3 WR9311	4350 ft ENE/WSW by 2700 ft NNW/SSE	Grass, rather un- even and soft after rain. Runways: None. Possibly serviceabl for emergency use only as of 30 March 1945.
5. DECKENPFROMM L/G	W3 WR0005	3750 ft ENE/WSW by 1200 ft, of which area on S side 3525 by 600 ft ENE/ WSW is serviceable.	Grass, lying on to of a spur of high ground falling away to N and S. Run- ways: None. Land ing area unservice- able as of 31 Marc 1945.
6. KIRCHHEIM L/G	W4 WS2803	2625 ft ENE/WSW by 2025 ft NNW/SSE.	Grass, sloping fro SW to NE. Runways None. Serviceable as of 24 March 194
7. HAILFINGEN A/F	W3 WW8394	3900 ft E/W by 3600 ft N/S	Grass. Runways: Tw concrete (1) ENE/WS 3900 ft (2) NNE/SSW 1050 ft with pre- pared strins at either end, giving a total length of 4050 ft. Service- able as of 23 March 1945.

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Name	Sheet No & Grid	Dimensions	Surface & Runways
8. MOTZINGEN L/G W3 W7794		2700 ft ENE/WSW by 1350 ft at W end, tapering to 690 ft at E end.	Grass. Runways: None. Landing area unservicable as of 31 March 1945.
9. LUTINGEN L/G W3 W7788		3300 ft NW/SE by 3300 ft ENE/ WSW. Single run or 4350 ft N/SE may be obtained.	Grass. Runways: A strip of 3300 ft which may have a pre- pared surface, runs ENE/WSW across the portion of landing area. Landing area probably partly un- servicable as of 1 March 1945.
10. SPAICHINGEN E.L.G.	X3 W7846	2400 ft NW/SE by 1800 ft ENE/ WSW. Run of 3150 ft NE/SW avail- able.	Grass. Runways: None. Status: Unknown.
11. VILLINGEN E.L.G.	X3 W75240	2100 ft ENE/WSW by 1350 ft NW/SE.	Grass. Runways: None. Status: Unknown.
12. DONAU ESCHINGEN/NORTH	X3 W75831	2250 ft N/S by 1200 ft E/W.	Runways: None. Status: Unknown.
13. DONAU ESCHINGEN L/G	X3 W75826	3900 ft N/S by 3450 ft E/W.	Grass. Runways: None. Servicable as of 2 April 45.
14. NEUHUSEN-OB- ECK L/G	X3 W78731	3000 ft N/S by 3450 ft E/W. Longest run 3600 ft NW/SE.	Grass. Runways: None. Landing area partly unservicable as of 2 April 1945.
15. MINGEN L/F	X4 W72140	3300 ft N/S by 3300 ft E/W	Grass. Runways: One paved, E/W 4200 ft on N side of landing area. Per- imeter track on N boundary connects ends of the runway and continues along E & S boundaries. Servicable as of 19 March 1945.

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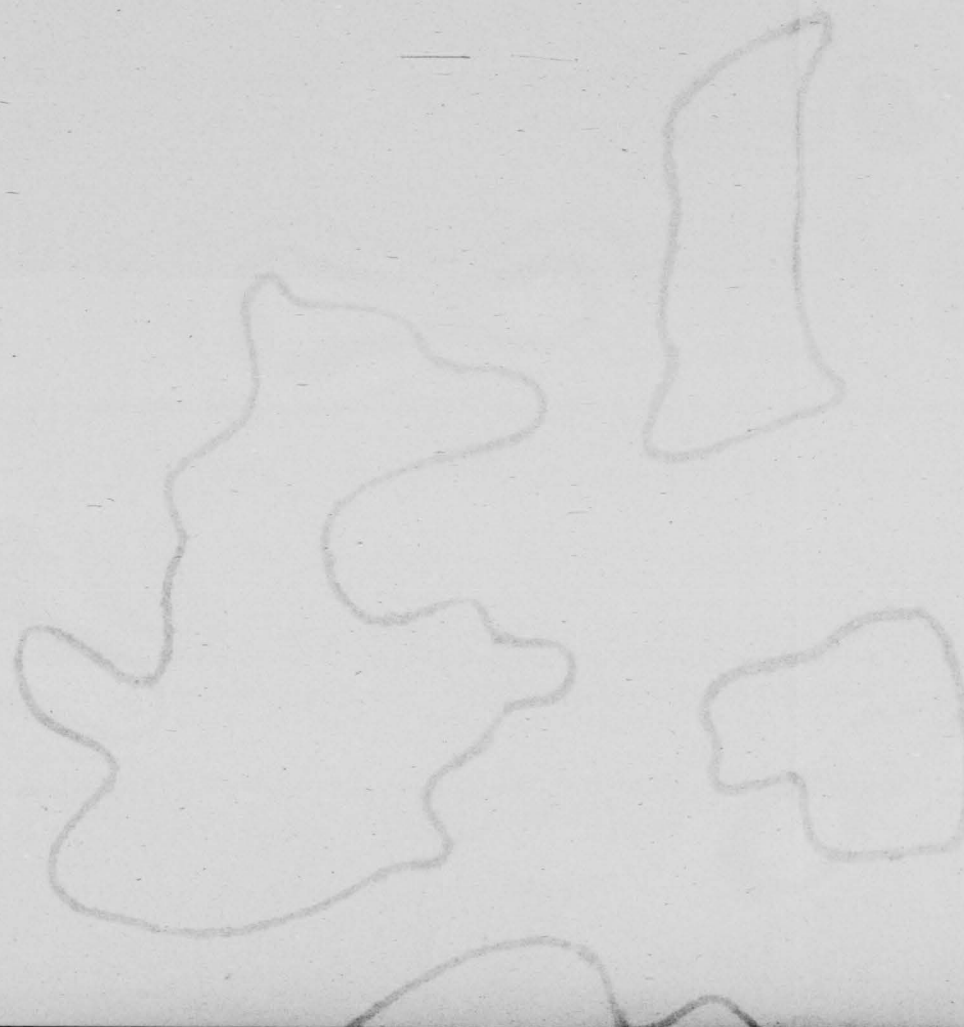
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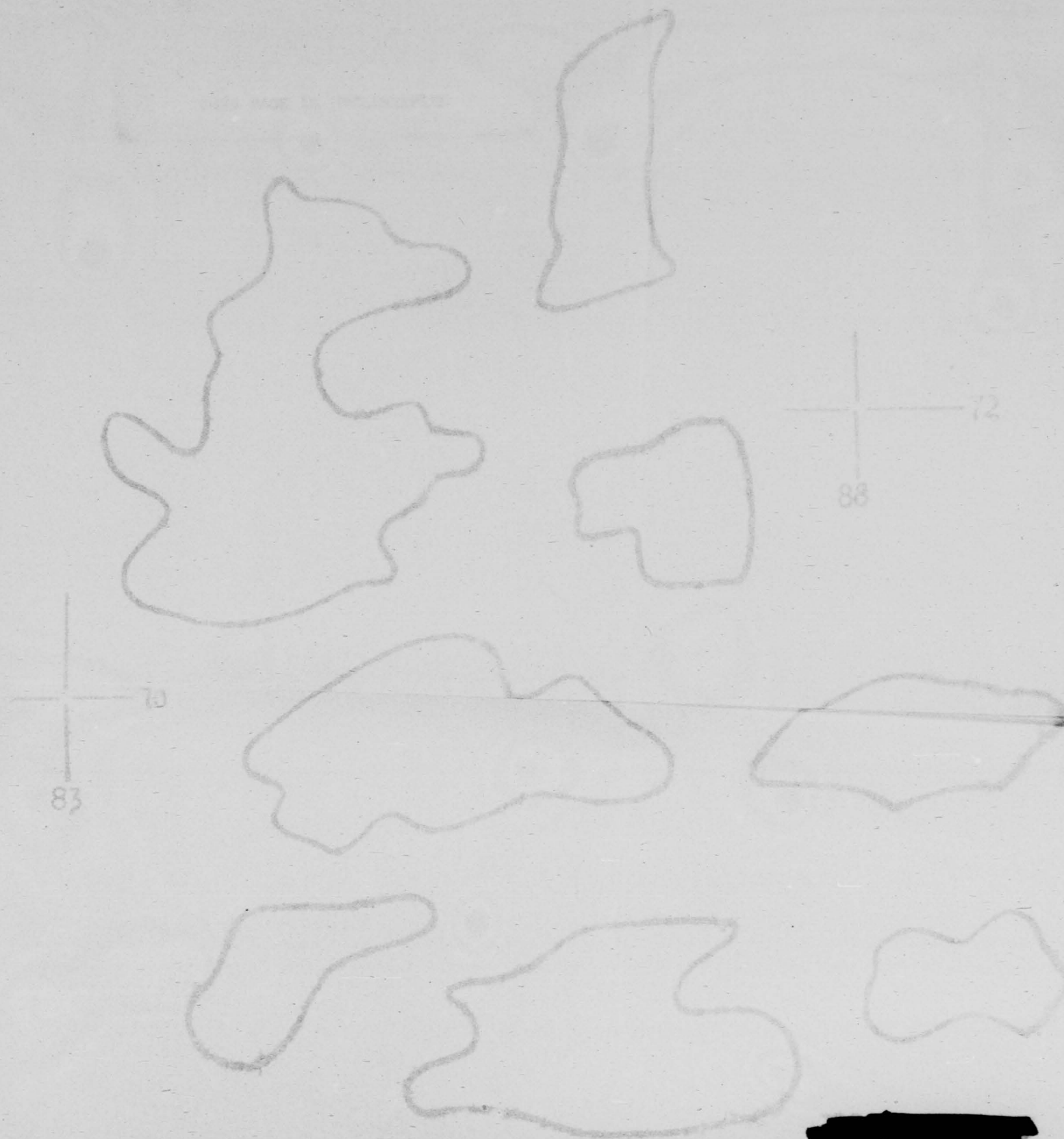
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Appendix "G" to

OUTLINE PLAN FOR AIRBORNE OPERATION "EFFECTIVE"

DESCRIPTION OF BISINGEN AIRFIELD

Information at hand concerning enemy air base installation in vicinity of BISINGEN is as follows:

GROSSELFINGEN

LANDING GROUND

COORDINATES : 48 degrees 19' 40" N
8 degrees 54' 40" E

Altitude: 1900 feet

MAP REFERENCE : GSGS 4416 Central Europe, 1:100,000,
Sheet No. W-3, Grid Reference WW8770.

LOCAL POSITION : 35 miles SSW of STUTTGART, 7 miles NW of TILFINGEN,
AND LANDMARKS : 4 1/2 miles NNE of BADINGEN, 1 mile SE of GROSSELFINGEN.
NECKAR River flows W/E 9 miles N of the landing ground.

OBSTRUCTIONS : E: M/G range.
SE: Airfield buildings in corner. Hills rising to
over 3000 feet within 4 miles.

DIMENSIONS : 1950 feet NE/SW by 2850 feet NE/SE. Longest run
3750 feet NNW/SSE. Irregular shape.

SURFACE : Grass, in good condition. Well drained.

RUNWAYS : None (19 Nov 44).

FACILITIES : a. Fuel and Oil: Fuel is probably stored in buried
tanks off the E boundary. Refuelling points are
thought to have been provided to NW and on E
boundary, where there is a loop taxi-track.

b. Hangars and Workshops: Two small groups of buildings,
off the S corner and at the S corner, may contain
workshops.

c. Ammunition: Store of five ventilated units is built
into the hillside off the W boundary, and served by
a loop road. M/G testing range off centre of E
boundary is connected to landing area by taxi-track.
Two rifle ranges (1) off E boundary, (to S of M/G
range), (2) off W corner. Both have huts near them
which are thought to be arms stores.

d. Accommodation: There are three groups of buildings
(1) at S corner. (2) S of (1). (3) SE of (1) on
road to BISINGEN. All three contain buildings which
could be used for barrack purposes. Control tower
probably at SE corner.

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Appendix "G" to Outline Plan "EFFECTIVE", 5 Apr 45, cont'd -

DISPERSAL:	Perimeter	<u>Small Covered</u>	<u>Small Open</u>	<u>Total</u>
		3	2	5

ACCESS : a. Road: Secondary road to BISHINGEN; thence main roads to TAILFINGEN and BALINGEN.

b. Rail: Station 1 mile SE at BISHINGEN, on TUBINGEN/BALINGEN line.

REMARKS : Construction of the landing ground was begun in 1937. It was occupied by a medium bomber group in 1939-40. Nothing has been reported of its subsequent history.

STATUS : Landing ground was probably partly unserviceable and aircraft were seen on 17 February 1945.

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OPERATION "EFFECTIVE"
AMENDMENT TO APPENDIX "C"
ESTIMATE OF ENEMY SITUATION (AIR)
PART I - GERMAN AIR FORCE

(Information as of 4 April 1945)

The following modification should be made to this estimate:

1. Order of Battle.

Ground-attack (Day) 70

making the total 520.

2. b. Ground-Attack

(1) Day. The available force consists of about 70 Me. 262's, based originally at GIEBELSTADT and KITZINGEN, and now believed to be at least partially dispersed to neighboring fields such as UNTERSCHLAUERS-BACH and SCHWABEBISCH-HALL. They have continued to operate over the Southern sector, and may put up a maximum of about 45 sorties per day. Their targets would be grounded gliders and troop assemblies, which would be attacked with anti-personnel bombs and perhaps some H.E. Later, when the real objective becomes revealed, they would probably attack it with 1,000 lb or 500 lb. H.E. bombs.

3. Scale of Effort.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Maximum per 24 hours</u>	<u>Average 3 days</u>
Ground-Attack	45	30

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	1	9 Dec 44	B	Sanitization Policy of the First Tactical Air Force (Prev)
	2	13 Jan 45	B	Fire Fighting
95				<u>PHOTOGRAPHY, MAPS, AND CHARTS</u>
100				<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>
105				<u>WELFARE</u>
110				<u>LEGAL</u>
	1	20 Jan 45	B	Claims Procedure
120				<u>INSPECTION</u>
	1	4 Dec 44	B	Inspection Policy
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120				<u>INSPECTION Cont'd</u>
	2	4 Dec 44	B	The Squadron Technical Inspector
	3	25 Jan 45	B	Unit Mail Inspection
125				<u>QUARTERMASTER</u>
	1	4 Feb 45	B	BI-Monthly Ration Strength and Supply Point Returns
135				<u>CHEMICAL WARFARE</u>
	*1	6 Dec 44	B	Chemical Warfare Policy
	2	8 Dec 44	B	Marking of Fire Bomb Gas Containers
	3	15 Jan 45	B	Defense against Chemical attack
	4	25 Jan 45	B	Storage and Handling of Chemical Warfare Munitions
140				<u>ORDNANCE</u>
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	*2	29 Dec 44	B	Ammunition Supply
142				<u>ARMAMENT</u>

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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MEMORANDUM
TO :
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15 March 1945

INDEXES

Numerical Index of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda
(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum O-2, 9 February 1945,
First Tactical Air Force (Prov))

1. All First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda will be classified and numbered in accordance with the basic index system prescribed in First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memorandum O-1. Activities which maintain a file of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda will check the publications in their files with those listed in paragraph 2 below.

2. The numerical index of all First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda is shown below. Blank spaces under the various classifications indicate that Memoranda under the respective numbers have not been issued or have been rescinded. Whenever a new Memorandum or an amendment to an old Memorandum is received, each activity will make the proper notations or corrections on this index.

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0				<u>INDEXES</u>
	1	8 Nov 44	B	General Index of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda.
	2	15 Mar 45	B	Numerical Index of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memoranda.
5				<u>PUBLICATIONS & REPRODUCTION</u>
	1	8 Nov 44	B	Distribution of First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
	2	6 Nov 44	B	Numbered Memoranda.
	3	28 Feb 45	B	Publications and Reproduction Distribution and Procurement of Publications.
	4	24 Jan 45	S	Technical Publications

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30				<u>BUDGET & FISCAL</u>
	1	20 Feb 45	B	Audit and Routing of Reports of Survey
34				<u>SPECIAL SERVICES</u>
35				<u>PERSONNEL MILITARY</u>
	1	6 Jan 45	B	Battle and Non-Battle Casualty Reports Missing Air Crew Reports
	1A	31 Jan 45	B	
	1B	4 Mar 45	B	
	2	23 Jan 45	B	Appointment of Flight Officers as 2nd Lts. In the Army of the United States
	3	22 Jan 45	B	Promotion of Officers in the AUS
	4	22 Jan 45	B	Requisitions for Personnel
	5	7 Jan 45	B	Awards and Decorations
	5A	12 Jan 45	B	
	5B	17 Feb 45	B	
	6	22 Jan 45	B	Combat Crews
37				<u>PERSONNEL, GENERAL</u>
38				<u>GROUND SAFETY</u>
39				<u>PERSONNEL AFFAIRS</u>
40				<u>PERSONNEL, CIVILIAN</u>

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45				<u>INTELLIGENCE</u>
	1	13 Nov 44	B	Intelligence Objectives
	2	6 Dec 44	B	Combat Intelligence Procedure
	Supp A	6 Dec 44	B	Interrogation Procedure
	Supp B	6 Dec 44	B	Combat Ops Briefing Procedure
	Supp C	6 Dec 44	B	Reports Procedure
	3	5 Dec 44	B	Counter Intelligence
	4	23 Nov 44	B	Top Secret Control Procedure
	*5	23 Dec 44	B	Escape Intelligence, Capture Intelligence Interrogation of Air Prisoners of War
	*5A	6 Feb 45	B	
	*6	23 Dec 44	B	Examination of Army Equipment
46				<u>SECURITY</u>
	*1	25 Nov 44	B	Ground Security
47				<u>PUBLIC RELATIONS</u>
49				<u>RECS</u>
50				<u>TRAINING</u>
55				<u>OPERATIONS</u>
	1	20 Nov 44	B	1st Control on First TACAF Airfields
	*2	30 Nov 44	B	Standard Operating Procedure for AAA
	*2A	24 Jan 45	B	

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55				<u>OPERATIONS (Cont'd)</u>
60				<u>FLYING</u>
61				<u>FLYING, OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES</u>
62				<u>FLYING SAFETY</u>
	1	7 Nov 44	B	Operation of aircraft under unfavorable weather conditions
63				<u>FLIGHT CONTROL</u>
65				<u>SUPPLY & MAINTENANCE</u>
	1	14 Nov 44	B	Supply Procedure
	2	25 Nov 44	B	Appointment of Purchasing & Contracting Officers
	3	21 Nov 44	B	Scrap
	4	24 Nov 44	B	Service Center Organization
	5	26 Nov 44	B	Stock Control
	6	1 Dec 44	B	War Heavy Aircraft
	7	27 Dec 44	B	L-Series Bombsight-C-1 Autopilot
	8	15 Jan 45	B	Monthly Material Status Report & Ammunition Supply Report
	9	4 Jan 45	B	Reporting of New Methods and Procedures
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	11	10 Jan 45	B	Technical Representatives

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65				<u>SUPPLY & MAINTENANCE (Cont'd)</u>
	*12	14 Jan 45	S	Authorization for refueling Units
	13	11 Jan 45	B	Maintenance - Technical Maintenance Instructions & Temporary Technical Instructions - Compliance
	14	14 Jan 45	B	Bombardier Maintenance
	14A	10 Feb 45	S	
	15	14 Jan 45	B	Crashed or Forced down Allied Aircraft
	*16	23 Jan 45	S	Scrap Engine Status & Excess Engine Box Report
	17	24 Jan 45	S	Files - Technical Publications
	17A	13 Feb 45	S	
	18	20 Jan 45	S	Check list for preparation and shipment of Engines and Accessories
	19	30 Jan 45	S	Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report - Air Detachment Group
	20	30 Jan 45	S	Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report Service Squadrons
	21	5 Feb 45	S	Preparation of Requisition for Air Corps Supplies & Equipment
75				<u>TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION</u>
	1	20 Dec 44	B	Responsibility & Procedure for Handling Transportation Facilities within this Command
80				<u>ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS</u>
	1	7 Nov 44	B	Machine Records Unit
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80				<u>ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES (Cont'd)</u>
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	4	17 Nov 44	B	Inspection of Army Postal Units
	5	23 Nov 44	B	Unit Histories
	6	6 Dec 44	B	Travel Orders
	7	26 Dec 44	B	Mail
	8	27 Feb 45	B	Confirmation of Victory Claims of Air Crews
85				<u>BUILDINGS & GROUNDS</u>
	1	9 Dec 44	B	Winterization Policy of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
	2	13 Jan 45	B	Fire Fighting
	2A	7 Feb 45	B	
95				<u>PHOTOGRAPHY, MAPS, AND CHARTS</u>
100				<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>
105				<u>WEATHER</u>
	1	10 Mar 45	B	Airborne Weather Reports
110				<u>LEGAL &</u>
	1	20 Jan 45	B	Claims Procedure
	2	1 Mar 45	B	Motor Vehicle Accident Reports

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	1A	8 Dec 44	B	
	2	4 Dec 44	B	The Squadron Technical Inspector
	3	25 Jan 45	B	Unit Mail Inspection
125				<u>QUARTERMASTER</u>
	1	4 Feb 45	B	VI-Monthly Ration Strength and Supply
	1A	26 Feb 45	B	Point Returns
135				<u>CHEMICAL WARFARE</u>
	*1	6 Dec 44	D	Chemical Warfare Policy
	2	8 Dec 44	D	Marking of Fire Bomb Gas Containers
	3	15 Jan 45	D	Defense against Chemical attack
	4	25 Jan 45	B	Storage and Handling of Chemical Warfare Munitions
140				<u>ORDNANCE</u>
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	*2	26 Feb 45	D	Ammunition Supply
142				<u>ARMAMENT</u>

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1. Standard distributions are prescribed in the table below for publication issued by this Headquarters.
2. Each Headquarters directly under this Headquarters will be furnished, in bulk, sufficient copies of publications to make the prescribed distribution to the units assigned or attached to that Headquarters and is responsible for the proper distribution thereof.

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CO Each Group, Battalion		1						(4)
CO Each Sqdn. Company		1						(8)
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Aerobics Postal Officer Comm. Room		1						
First TACAF Postal Office		1						
Each Officer's Quarters		1						
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X Distribution made only if the publication is a Numbered Memorandum.

() Distribution made only if the unit or station is assigned directly to this headquarters.

4. Publications of this headquarters classified as "Confidential" or lower, may be reproduced by subordinate headquarters if so desired.

SECTION II

Required Command Publications

1. Each unit directly under this headquarters will furnish this headquarters with ten (10) copies of General Orders, and five (5) copies of all other numbered publications issued by the Command Headquarters. Two (2) copies of all General and Special Orders will be forwarded to Commanding Officer, 31st Machine Records Units, APO 696, US Army.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374 - US ARMY

6 November 1944

MEMORANDUM

NO 5-2)

PUBLICATIONS, PRINTING & REVISIONS

MEMORANDUM

1. General: Numbered memoranda published by this Headquarters contain matter that is directive, advisory and informative in nature, applying to units and personnel within this command.
2. Titles: The title of each numbered memorandum will consist of two parts.
 - a. General Title: The general title or the subject classification as published in Numbered Memoranda 0-1, this Headquarters.
 - b. Sub-title: The subtitle names the specific subject matter covered in the memorandum.
3. Numbering: The number of each memorandum will consist of two parts separated by dash.
 - a. Basic Number: The basic number or first number will be the number of the subject classification or general title.
 - b. Subnumber: The subnumber or second number will be of consecutive series, assigned to each basic number.
4. Changes: Changes will be accomplished by the following methods:
 - a. Rescissions: Rescissions of a memorandum will be published in a new memorandum of same number and title and will be removed as rescinded memorandums from the files and destroyed. Publications which conflict with later policy or practice, or which have become obsolete will be rescinded.
 - b. Superseding: Where it is necessary to change or amend the greater portion of a publication, it will be revised and issued as a new publication.
 - c. Amending: When a minor change in a memorandum of more than (2) pages is desired, an amendment will be issued bearing the same title and number as the original but with the addition of a letter to the subnumber. (Example - Memorandum 190-2 would be amended by No 190-2A). Amendments will be filed immediately in front of the amended publication. Appropriate notation will be made on the memorandum amended.

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5. Preparation and Issuance: Numbered memoranda, this headquarters, will be prepared and processed as follows:

a. Preparation: The preparation in draft form of a new memorandum or the revision of an existing publication is the responsibility of the office or activity to which the subject matter primarily pertains. Assistance will be rendered by the Adjutant General's Section, if desired.

b. Coordination: The office or activity preparing a memorandum is responsible for securing proper coordination from other activities concerned with its subject matter. Each publication will be reviewed with respect to conformance with WD,AAF and theater policy, and practice. Final draft or stencil will have attached the approval activities concerned.

c. Issuance: Numbered memoranda will be authenticated.

6. Indexes: As prescribed for General and Special Orders, etc, by AR 310-50.

a. General Index: Numbered Memorandum G-1, lists all subject classifications or general titles of First Tactical Air Force numbered memoranda together with their corresponding base numbers.

b. Numerical Index: Numerical indexes of memoranda will be published when appropriate as Numbered Memorandum G-2. These indexes will list all numbered memoranda in force at time of publication.

7. Receipt - Filing: Upon receipt, by subordinate units, numbered memorandums will be brought to the immediate attention of personnel concerned. Memoranda will be filed in numerical sequence as determined first by the base number, second by the subnumber, and third by letters in alphabetical order (for amendatory publications). The dates of numbered memorandums will have no bearing on the filing order.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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MEMORANDUM
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PUBLICATIONS AND REPRODUCTION

DISTRIBUTION AND PROCUREMENT OF PUBLICATIONS
(Except AAF Technical Publications)

SECTION I - - - - - Distribution
SECTION II - - - - - Procurement
SECTION III - - - - - Blank Forms

SECTION I - DISTRIBUTION

1. Publications issued from the office of the Adjutant General and the Provost Marshal General of the War Department will be distributed direct from Headquarters, Com Z, European T of Cms, to this headquarters for distribution to all units assigned or attached to this command.

2. Publications issued by the following listed Chiefs of Services of the War Department and ETOUSA will be distributed direct from the concerned Chief of Service, Headquarters Com Z, European T of Cms, to this headquarters, for further distribution.

Quartermaster	Engineers
Surgeon	Transportation
Ordnance Officer	Signal
Chemical Warfare Service	Finance

3. Publications of AAF (technical publications excepted), SHAEF, ETOUSA, USSTAF and First Tactical Air Force (P) will be distributed by this headquarters, Adjutant General Division, to each subordinate command, or unit, First TAC AF, for further distribution to subordinate units as may be indicated. Technical publications are distributed by the Maintenance Division, this headquarters.

4. In each instance, distribution will be accomplished in accordance with the pertinent directive governing the publication. References: Army Regulation 310-200; Field Manual 21-6; Circular 114, ETOUSA, 25 Nov 44, as amended by Circular 119, ETOUSA, 12 Dec 44; Regulation 5-1, USSTAF; and Memorandum 5-1, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

SECTION II - PROCUREMENT

1. All publications will be requisitioned from this headquarters through command channels. Requisitions will be consolidated by the appropriate headquarters next below this headquarters and submitted in time to reach this headquarters not later than the 20th of each month. Distribution will be made as set forth in paragraph 3, Section I, this memorandum.

2. Initial sets of War Department, ETOUSA, AAF, USSTAF and First TAC AF (P) publications for newly arrived and newly activated units will be automatically furnished by this headquarters.

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SECTION III - BLANK FORMS

1. All Blank Forms will be requisitioned from this headquarters, through the service unit serving the requisition unit. Requisitions will be submitted in such time as to permit the service unit to prepare a consolidated requisition to arrive at this headquarters by the 20th of the month.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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MEMORANDUM)

NO. .5-4)

PUBLICATIONS

TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

(This memorandum supersedes 5-4, 27 October 1944)

1. The instructions contained herein govern the distribution and requisitioning of Technical Publications applicable to the First Tactical Air Force. Technical Orders, Headquarters Army Air Forces; Stock Lists, Headquarters Army Air Forces; Technical Maintenance Instructions, Headquarters United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and Temporary Maintenance Technical Instructions, Headquarters Ninth Air Force will hereafter be referred to as Technical Publications.

2. Automatic Distribution of new Technical Publications will be made, as published by the Technical Data Section, Base Air Depot Area, Air Service Command, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, direct to Groups of First Tactical Air Force on the basis of Technical Order 00-25-3, dated 19 April 1943, addressed to the Technical Inspector of the Group for redistribution to activities within the group. The Group Technical Inspector is responsible for advising the Technical Data Section, Supply Division, Base Air Depot Area, AAF Station 590, APO 635, of changes in requirements for his group, and the return of surplus copies direct thereto. Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) will until further notice be distributed from this Headquarters.

3. Requests for Technical Publications for new files, to replace those worn out, lost, out of date, etc., will be submitted on AAF Form #102, by individual units direct to the Technical Data Section, Supply Division, Base Air Depot Area, AAF Station 590, APO 635, through the Group Technical Inspector for review and approval. Requests for Technical Publications will not be made on other agencies either in the United Kingdom or the United States. Newly activated organizations which are due complete sets of Technical Publications in their O.E.L., will receive sets automatically, separate requisitions will not be submitted. Requisitions for Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) will be submitted to this Headquarters.

4. Isolated cases of units not attached or assigned to a group who are entitled to Technical Publications under the provisions of Technical Order 00-25-3, dated 19 April 1943, will notify the Technical Data Section, Base Air Depot Area, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, direct of their needs for Automatic Distribution, and requests for Technical Publications under the provisions of paragraph 3 above, through the Unit Technical Inspector.

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5. Group Technical Inspectors will establish the necessary facilities to comply with the provisions of this directive.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

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MEMORANDUM)

NO. 5-4)

PUBLICATIONS

TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

(This memorandum supercedes 5-4 dated 7 January 1945)

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a procedure for distributing and requisitioning Technical Publications applicable to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. DEFINITIONS: Technical Orders, Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions, Parts Catalog, Handbooks of Instruction, Plane Facts, Illustrated Stock Catalog, and Budget Digests will hereafter be referred to as Technical Publications.

3. DISTRIBUTION: Automatic distribution of new Technical Publications will be made as published by the Technical Data Section, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) direct to units of this Air Force on the basis set forth in Technical Order 00-25-3 and in accordance with the provisions of First Tactical Air Force Memorandum 65-17, dated 24 January 1945. The Unit Technical Inspector is responsible for advising the Technical Data Section, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), of changes in requirements for his unit and return of surplus copies direct thereto.

4. REQUISITIONS:

a. Requests for Technical Publications for the replacement of publications worn out, lost, or out of date; for new files; or for change of requirements, will be submitted on AAF Form 102 (see example appendix "A") by individual units to the Technical Data Section, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), through the Group, Technical Inspector for review and approval. Requests for Technical Publications will not be made on other agencies, either in the United Kingdom or in the United States. Newly activated organizations which are due complete sets of Technical Publications in their O.E.I. will be placed on automatic distribution immediately upon assignment to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). These organizations will, however, submit requisitions for supplemental Technical Publications direct to the Technical Data Section of this Headquarters. Individual unit requisitions made for Technical Publications will not be consolidated by intermediate headquarters except for Service Groups which will submit requests for units such as Signal and Ordnance Companies.

b. Until further notice, all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will submit requisitions for Technical Publications on the 1st and 15th of each month.

5. RESPONSIBILITY:

a. Technical Data Branch, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). It is the responsibility of the Technical Data Branch of this Headquarters to receive and fill requisitions for and to distribute Technical Publications to units of the

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First Tactical Air Force (Prov). Further, the Technical Data Branch will be responsible for obtaining from higher headquarters the total number of each Technical Publication required for distribution throughout all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

b. Unit Technical Inspectors: Unit Technical Inspectors are responsible for establishing the necessary facilities for compliance with this directive and all First Tactical Air Force (Prov) publications pertaining to the requisitioning and distribution of Technical Publications.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AFD
Adjutant General.

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN,
Lt. Col., Air Corps
Chief of Staff.

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Form No. 102

Form No. 102
(Revised May 14, 1942) Tech Data Sec, 1st Tactical AF Sv

Requisition on Comd (Prov), APO 374, U.S. Army.

Class 30 Requisition No. 30-45-1

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Ship to Commanding Officer, 000 Fighter Squadron, 00 Fighter Group, APO 374, U.S. Army

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V-Being shipped.
X-Extracted
O-Canceled.

A—Due on M. D. shipping order.
B—Due on A. A. F. order.
C—Being purchased locally.
D—Being repaired.
E—Awaiting further information.

Requisitioning officer JOHN DOE, Capt., Sq. Tech. Insp.
(Name and rank)

Approved by JOHN BOE, Capt., Group Tech
Insp.

Signature.

Reviewed By 92300 Ensign, ENGINEER COMMAND

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(Memorandum 5-4, this Headquarters, dated 24 January 1945, is amended to read as follows:)

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4b. All units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) upon receipt of a new or revised technical order index will submit to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention, Tech. Data Branch, a new requisition in triplicate on the first day of the following month.

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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

C. E. CRUMRINE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD, *h*
Adjutant General

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PUBLICATIONS & REPRODUCTION

I TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

1. The Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) is authorized to issue such numbered memorandums, letters or other directives, pertaining to subordinate units of his command only, and indicate therein that such publications supersede similar publications of this headquarters of earlier date.
2. Upon publication of such directives by the I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), this headquarters will publish rescissions of the superseded publications.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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Colonel, Air Corps
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CORRESPONDENCE
CORRESPONDENCE CODE LETTERS

1. Correspondence code letters for use in this headquarters are assigned as follows:

A - Commanding General
AC - Deputy Commander
AA - Director of Administrative Services
B - Executive Officer
C - Director of Personnel
D - Intelligence and Public Relations
E - Director of Plans, Organization and Training
F - Director of Supply
G - Adjutant General
H - Air Inspector
I - Statistical Control Section
J - Signal Communication
K - Ordnance Section
L - Quartermaster
M - Surgeon
N - Judge Advocate General
O - Chemical Warfare Section
P - Air Disarmament Plans
Q - Organization and Movements
R - Fiscal Office
S - Director of Maintenance
U - Engineer
V - Provost Marshal
X - Special and Information Services
Y - Transportation Section
Z - Headquarters Commandant

2. Headquarters of all lower echelons of this command will use subject code letters for the appropriate sections:

A - Commanding Officer
C - A-1, S-1, etc.

B - Executive Officer

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3. Section Identification code letters will be placed in the upper right margin of all letters, indorsements, memorandums and messages originating in the section, followed by the letter of the officer's last name and a number to identify the typist, thus: G-R-6. In the event there is more than one officer with the same initial in the section, the initials of the first and last names will be used, thus: G-OK-6.

By command of Brigadier General LANGLEAD:

OFFICIAL:

Neil M. Latzger

NEIL M. LATZGER
Lt Col, AGD,
Adjutant General

LARK E. BRADLEY, JR
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Commander

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CORRESPONDENCE
ROUTING OF OFFICIAL MAIL

1. Heretofore, correspondence from subordinate units of this air force has normally been addressed to the commanding general of the air force as the functions of both the air force headquarters and the air force service command headquarters were combined and correspondence was routed within the headquarters to the proper section for action.

2. With the division of the combined headquarters into two separate headquarters, care must be exercised by originators of correspondence to the end that it arrives at the proper headquarters without undue delay. Therefore the following is set forth as a guide:

- a. Correspondence from tactical units will be addressed to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), with the following exceptions, which may be addressed to the Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov):
 - (1) Correspondence relative to maintenance matters, from Headquarters, XII Tactical Air Command and Headquarters, 42d Bomb Wing (H).
 - (2) Correspondence relative to routine supply matters, not involving conflict with established policies, from Headquarters, XII Tactical Air Command and Headquarters, 42d Bomb Wing (H).
- b. The Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) may correspond directly with appropriate agencies outside of this air force on technical, maintenance, and supply matters when no change in established policy is involved.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

OFFICIAL:

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MILITARY POLICE REPORTS

1. REPORT OF DELINQUENCY (TPM Form No. 2)

a. Whenever a report of delinquency is prepared for a unit, other than those on the same station as the reporting organization, the distribution of this report will include the following:

<u>Unit of Offender</u>	<u>Distribution</u>
Communications Zone or SOLOC	Original and duplicate to PM, Com. Zone, or SOLOC.
Ground Forces	Original and duplicate to PM of the Army concerned.
Ninth Air Force	Original and duplicate to PM of the Ninth Air Force.
1st Tactical Air Force (Prov)	Original and duplicate to the CG of the command concerned (12th TAC or 1st TACAF Service Command). One copy to CG, 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov).

b. This report will be submitted only on TPM Form No. 2. No alteration or indorsement will be used with this form which will call for a report of the disciplinary action taken by the commanding officer of a unit not in the same command as the reporting office.

c. Military Police of station companies who act as auxiliaries for area companies will submit this report through those area companies.

d. Military Police personnel who are responsible for completing this form will insure it includes:

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- (1) Full information of the Offender(s): name, rank, serial number, organization and APC.
- (2) A complete, clear, concise statement of the offense and all the pertinent facts of the case.

2. REPORT OF SERIOUS OFFENCES:

a. Reference Section III, Circular 103, ETOUSA, os, unit commanders are responsible for submitting an immediate telephone or teletype report to the Provost Marshal, 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov) in all cases wherein U. S. Military personnel in their unit are known, or suspected to have been involved in offences of:

- (1) Homicide (Murder)
- (2) Fatal Accidents
- (3) Rape (including carnal knowledge)
- (4) Sodomy
- (5) Suicide
- (6) Larceny (where the value of article(s) stolen is over \$50 or is U. S. Government property)
- (7) Burglary
- (8) House Breaking
- (9) Robbery
- (10) Arson
- (11) Forgery

b. A similar report will also be rendered in all cases of:

- (1) Escape from custody by U. S. Military prisoners.
- (2) Disorders or incidents involving physical violence between U. S. troops and allied troops or civilians as well as incidents involving white and colored U. S. troops.
- (3) United States Army motor vehicle accidents resulting in death or serious injury.

c. Telephonic reports will be submitted to include the information in the order shown or sample (inclosed). Reports submitted by teletype will show: A-Type of Case (according to listing in section a above), B-Time of Incident, C-Date of Incident, D-Place of Incident, E-Offender(s), with name, grade, ASN, and organization, F-Victim(s), G-Description of Incident.

d. Telephonic reports will be confirmed by written report as soon as practicable.

3. MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORTS:

a. An information copy of Standard Form No. 26, Driver's Report (Accident Motor Transportation), will be submitted to this headquarters, attention Provost Marshal, within twenty-four hours after the occurrence of an accident involving a U. S. Government vehicle of an organization of this command. This information is

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desired solely for statistical purposes.

4. UNAUTHORIZED ABSENTEES:

a. Reports concerning personnel absent without leave will conform to the provisions of ETO Cir. 95, 31 August 1944. "Request for Apprehension" and "Report of Apprehension" will not be forwarded by Station Provost Officers.

b. Upon receipt of W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 45 by the Commanding General, Communications Zone notification of the absentee is sent to all Military Police Units in the ETO that have area jurisdiction.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Report of Offenses

RUSSEL L. PUTMAN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

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Type of case _____
Reported by: _____ at _____ hours _____ 1944
Time of Incident: _____ hours _____ 1944

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Grade Name ASN Organization APO

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Who is investigating? _____
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If sexual case, what is victim's age? _____

If vehicle accident, was victim walking, riding bicycle, etc? _____

If injury was sustained, where was victim treated? _____

If hospitalized, in what hospital? _____

If death occurred, where is body? _____

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PLAIN TEXT AND REPORTSUNSATISFACTORY REPORTS1. Purpose and Importance of Unsatisfactory Reports:

a. The purpose of an Unsatisfactory Report is to report malfunctioning or unsatisfactory design of Army Air Force equipment and to cover an unsatisfactory maintenance or supply system, form or method. As these reports represent the best source of information available on all maintenance difficulties under actual operating conditions, corrective action is largely dependent on their submission.

b. Immediately upon receipt, all Unsatisfactory Reports are carefully analyzed by a staff of maintenance, experimental, and production engineers. If advisable, reports are also dispatched to obtain additional first hand information on the actual field condition involved.

c. Where safety or combat effectiveness is involved, corrective measure must immediately be taken on all AAF equipment in use; the instructions are then promulgated by Technical Orders. Changes made for other reasons are included only in new production aircraft as soon as it is practicable. When the condition is such that no corrective action is considered necessary, careful statistical records are kept for future reference.

d. The large majority of all Unsatisfactory Reports are either repetitive or cover failure due to improper use or maintenance and do not necessitate corrective action on AAF equipment. The balance are usually very important and in most cases require considerable investigation to determine what remedial action, if any, will be taken. Such action in most cases requires parts or drawings, and is covered by a Technical Order when the parts are available. Therefore, in either class of Unsatisfactory Report, individual reports are seldom of use to the submitting activity and will be discontinued during the emergency period, except where information of value can be given.

2. By Whom Submitted. Unsatisfactory Reports will be initiated by any individual assigned or attached to the Air Forces upon the first and all subsequent observations of any unsatisfactory condition falling within paragraph 3 below. It is very important that all failures be reported immediately. This includes repetitive failures (except when a Technical Order has been issued correcting the conditions) as the number often determines the action required. Commanding Officers will see

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that all personnel concerned under their jurisdiction are advised of the importance and use of these reports and the necessity for their prompt rendition whenever any unsatisfactory conditions are encountered.

3. When Submitted:

a. An Unsatisfactory report will be submitted whenever any of the following occur or is recognized, except as noted in par. 3b below:

- (1) Failure or malfunction of any item of Government material or equipment used by the Army Air Forces.
- (2) Unsatisfactory Design.
- (3) Defects due to faulty material, workmanship, or inspection.
- (4) Unsatisfactory maintenance or supply methods, systems or forms.

b. Exceptions:

- (1) In the case of stock commercial model airplanes and engines, it is noted that many parts and assemblies, such as hose, hose clamps, pulleys, switches, pumps, etc., do not conform to the Airplane Designers Handbook or specification standards. Such nonconformity will not be reported; but any failure, defect, or malfunctioning will be reported.
- (2) When purchase orders specify inspection at destination, rejections will be reported on Receiving and Accountability Report. (See AAF Regulation No. 15-103).
- (3) Engine-Sudden Stoppage Reports. These occurrences (nose-over or similar cases of propeller striking an object) will not be the subject of an Unsatisfactory Report when there was no malfunctioning of the power plant prior to the sudden stoppage. However, when failure or malfunctioning of an engine is reported the report will include information relative to sudden stoppage as noted on maintenance records (Forms Nos. 41B and 60B).

4. Preparations:

a. AAF Forms No. 54 will be prepared in accordance with paragraph 5a and 5b. The following instructions, as applicable will govern:

- (1) Secret or Confidential Material. AR 360-5 will govern when reporting on secret or confidential material.

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- (2) Items on Report. Each report will cover only one item of property. For example, do not report a carburetor and a starter on the same report, even though installed on the same engine. Repetitive cases ready to report at one time may be included on the same report by covering one completely, and noting the number of similar failures.

b. Entries:

- (1) Station Serial Numbers. These numbers will be assigned by the squadron or group, engineering officer forwarding the report (par. 5a and 5b). All reports from the station will be numbered consecutively and a new series started with No. 1 at the beginning of each calendar year, prefixed with the last two figures of that year.
- (2) Date submitted. The date Unsatisfactory Report is submitted.
- (3) Station and Organization. This information will include complete identification of the submitting organization and the station location or other assignment.
- (4) Subject of Report.
- (a) Property Class Name. Whenever possible, equipment will be classified in accordance with AAF property classes (T.O. 00-35-1). Following the property class will be given the name of the equipment.
- (b) Manufacturer. The name of the manufacturer will be given whenever known.
- (c) AAF Order or Shipping Number. Whenever possible, the AAF order or shipping number will be given.
- (5) When an Aircraft is Reported.
- (a) Enter under Aircraft.
1. Model and AAF Serial Number of Aircraft.
 2. Engine model and AAF Serial Number of Engine.
- (b) Enter Under Aircraft Reports Only
1. Depot at which last D.I.R. was accomplished.
 2. Date of last D.I.R. (T.O. 00-25-4).
 3. Flying time since last D.I.R.
 4. Total combat flying time.

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5. Total flying time accredited the aircraft.

NOTE: Para. 4 and 5 to be entered under column
Total Flying Time: precede combat time with letter "C", and total flying time with letter "T".

(6) When an Engine is Reported:

(a) Enter under Aircraft:

1. Model and AAF Serial Number of Aircraft.
2. Model and AAF Serial Number of Engine.

(b) Enter under Engine Report Only:

1. Depot at which last overhauled.
2. Hours since last overhaul.
3. Depots and hours of each previous overhaul.

(c) Enter under Complete Details, Probable Causes and Recommendations:

1. Total minutes run at over-boost speed.
2. Total combat flying time.
3. Oil consumption per hour at time of engine removal.

(7) When a Unit or accessory is Reported:

(a) Enter under Aircraft:

1. Model and AAF Serial Number of Aircraft.
2. Model and AAF Serial Number of Engine.

(b) Enter under Unit or Accessory:

1. Type, model and serial number of the unit or accessory.

(8) When a part is Reported:

(a) Enter under Parts:

1. The name of the part.
2. The part drawing, serial, and specification number.

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3. The time part has been in use.
4. The quantity of parts now on hand.
5. The quantity of parts known to be defective.
6. The number of previous failures.
7. Name of manufacturer, when known.
8. The inspector's number or identification.

(b) If the part pertains to a particular aircraft, engine, unit or accessory, the appropriate instructions in par. (4), (5) or (6) will also be followed

(9) When the Report Pertains to Self-Sealing Fuel Cells:

As much of the following information as is available from Form No. 411 will be furnished.

(a) Date of Original Use:

1. The calendar date when the fuel cell was first fueled.
2. The calendar date of last replacement, if the original fuel cell has been replaced.
3. The calendar date of last overhaul, if the fuel cell has been overhauled.

(b) Date of Final Use: The calendar date when the fuel cell was determined unsatisfactory, giving rise to the immediate unsatisfactory report.

(10) Exhibits: Enter under DISPOSITION OF EXHIBIT an X after the appropriate information to show what disposition is being made of the property (photographs or small parts). Where the engine, accessory, or assembly is being shipped to a depot or overhaul agency, advise where shipped. (See also par. 8)

(11) Transient Aircraft: Indicate "Transient Aircraft" and the home station under "Give Complete Details".

(12) COMPLETE DETAILS, PROBABLE CAUSES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(a) Complete Details, Probable Causes:

1. To facilitate investigation and correction of the difficulties reported without necessity for

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further requests for information, each report will give a complete description of an individual case and explain the unsatisfactory condition. All pertinent information relating thereto will be given.

(b) Recommendations:

1. Recommendations for corrective action will be made whenever possible.

(13) When report pertains to a Maintenance System, Form or Method:

- (a) Refer to the publication (T.O. etc.) and the specific paragraph it is desired to have changed.
- (b) Explain fully the unsatisfactory condition.

(14) Equipment Supplied by Other Services:

- (a) Proper nomenclature and type (as in the case of Signal Corps, Ordnance, Quartermaster property).
- (b) Serial and order number, and other pertinent name plate data.
- (c) Time in use.
- (d) When equipment is installed in aircraft, give the model and serial number of the aircraft.

5. Emergency Reports:

a. Special or emergency cases of malfunctioning or failures likely to result in grounding or holding aircraft out of commission, particularly where life equipment may be affected elsewhere, will when ever possible be immediately reported direct by radio, PWT, or telephone to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance. This will include accident if any possibility exists that the cause of the accident was due to or contributed to by any condition coming within the scope of paragraph 3a, AAF Regulation No. 15-54.

b. Emergency reports will be confirmed promptly on AAF Form No. 54.

c. Emergency Reports will be as complete as possible. The stations originating the emergency Unsatisfactory Report will also transmit the identical message to the C.O. of the Air Depot Group the same day (immediately, if depot action is required). A copy of this message will be packed with the engine, accessory or assembly, in the event it is being forwarded for disassembly and inspection.

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d. Field Unit not located at a Depot: The original and six signed copies will be forwarded to the organization Engineering Officer for disposition as in "a" above.

e. Maintenance of File: Files will be maintained by the Tactical group and the Service Groups if the Unsatisfactory Report is initiated by their Tactical Squadron. The Air Depot Group will maintain their own file.

6A. Unsatisfactory Reports on British Equipment in use by USAAF. Unsatisfactory Reports on British Equipment will be initiated and handled in the same manner as UK's on American equipment with the following exceptions:

a. The original and two copies will be transmitted to Wing Commander W. E. Geddes, M.A.I. Liaison Officer, Headquarters, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, A-1-586, APO 638.

b. Defective equipment and material, forming the subject matter of such unsatisfactory Report will be retained in the same manner and for the same period as American Equipment.

7. Co-ordination:

a. All unnecessary co-ordination and channelling of Unsatisfactory Reports that will delay expeditious rendition will be discontinued.

b. Unsatisfactory Reports on property supplied by another service will be co-ordinated with the local representative of the service for recommendation or other comments.

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6. Initiating Organizations will forward copies as follows:

a. Tactical Squadrons: The original and six copies will be forwarded to the Tactical Group, which will in turn:

- (1) Forward original and two copies direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio.
- (2) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).
- (3) Forward one copy to the Tactical Command (Plainly marked: Information Copy).
- (4) Forward one copy to the Air Depot Group through the Service Squadron, Service Group (Plainly marked: Information Copy).
- (5) File one copy.

b. Service Squadron: The original and five signed copies will be forwarded to the Service Group which will in turn:

- (1) Forward original and two copies direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio.
- (2) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).
- (3) Forward one copy to the Air Depot Group (Plainly marked: Information Copy).
- (4) File One Copy.

c. Air Depot Group: The original and four signed copies will be forwarded as follows:

- (1) Forward original and two copies direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio.
- (2) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).
- (3) File one copy.

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8. Disposition of Exhibits:

a. All exhibits, except those small enough to be forwarded by first class mail attached to the applicable Unsatisfactory Report, will be held at the activity pending disposition instructions from the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

(1) Shipping instructions will be issued by the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) for all exhibits desired for study.

(2) The submission of photographs in place of actual parts is encouraged. However, when photographs are submitted the affected parts will be held in accordance with par. 8a above.

b. When exhibits are forwarded from an activity they will be sent thru the engineering officer, who will see that they are securely tagged with Unsatisfactory Report Identification Tag, Form No. 83A, and with proper tag, Form No. 50 or 51, as applicable; and that one copy of the Unsatisfactory Report is securely attached to the exhibit.

c. Exhibits will be forwarded as follows:

(1) When accountability is not involved, the parts will be shipped on a "No accountability" shipping ticket to the Commanding General, Headquarters, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio, Attention: U.R. Exhibit Room. Extreme care will be taken to see that the Pack sheet copy of the "No Accountability" shipping ticket is enclosed in the container as required by AAF Regulation 15-104.

(2) When accountability is involved, the parts will be shipped to the Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio, Attention: U.R. Exhibit Room. Shipping tickets in this case will be sent to the Depot Supply Officer, Fairfield Air Depot, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

d. Shipping tickets (Packing Sheets) forms 83A, 50 and 51, will carry a reference to the effect that, "This material is for the Maintenance Division, U.R. Exhibit Room, A.S.C."

e. If the exhibit to be forwarded is small enough and suitable for mailing, it will be attached to the Unsatisfactory Report.

f. The disassembly of equipment to obtain exhibits will be limited to the scope of work ordinarily performed by the organization.

g. Pending receipt of instructions, the engineering officer of the activity will store exhibits together with one (1) copy of the Un-

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satisfactory Report securely attached, in a space set aside for this purpose, except where it is necessary to make repairs and return the parts to service in order to release airplanes or engines being held out of commission due to lack of such parts. The exhibit will be identified by Unsatisfactory Report Tag, AAF Form 83A and its condition shown by appropriate tag, AAF Form 50 or 51. Whenever disposition instructions are not received from the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) within 30 days from the date the exhibit is placed in storage, it will be disposed of in accordance with regulations applicable to the class and condition of the property concerned. When the reporting activity is not located at a base or station and is ordered to change station within the prescribed 30 days parts being held may be disposed of at the discretion of the commanding officer as specified above.

h. Parts or assemblies issued by other services will not be forwarded as exhibits unless specific authorization is obtained from that service or its representative. Such exhibits will be held in proper custody until disposition is given. Photographs may be submitted.

i. When an engine is removed for engine failure, it will be shipped to an air depot that specializes in the overhaul of that particular type engine and a copy of the Unsatisfactory Report will be attached to the engine. If warranted, a TWX will be forwarded to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance, giving all known details of the failure. Upon receipt of the engine by the specialized air depot, it will be disassembled and inspected immediately and a disassembly inspection report forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance. Reference will be made to the original Unsatisfactory Report, giving its station serial number.

9. Accountability for Exhibits:

a. Expendable Articles:

- (1) Expendable articles will be forwarded without accountability.
- (2) Expendable articles in stock will be expended on Form No. 81, before forwarding.
- (3) Expendable articles removed from equipment will not be picked up on stock records.

b. Non-Expendable Articles:

- (1) Non-expendable articles will be forwarded on shipping ticket to the Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.
- (2) Non-expendable articles that have been surveyed will be forwarded without accountability.

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10. Records and Responsibilities of Reporting Office:

a. Engineering Officers of activities will maintain a complete file of Unsatisfactory Reports submitted by subordinate activities including replies thereto and all related correspondence as indicated in paragraph 6c above.

b. Engineering Officers of higher echelons are responsible for the prompt transmittal to activities originating Unsatisfactory Report of all replies thereto.

c. Follow-up letters will not be used except when the information desired is considered essential to the originating activity.

d. Unsatisfactory Reports and related correspondence will be retained for one year, after which they may be destroyed.

11. Acknowledgement:

a. Ordinarily acknowledgement of Unsatisfactory Reports will not be made.

b. A detailed reply will be made whenever important information affecting safety or combat effectiveness is available and when this information will not be distributed automatically to the submitting activity in the form of a Technical Order, Regulation, or other general instruction.

12. Investigation and processing of Unsatisfactory Reports:

a. Investigation Directed by First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

(1) Upon receipt of an Unsatisfactory Report by the Director of Maintenance, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), the report will be reviewed and if believed necessary, investigations directed to be conducted by the Air Depot Group. These investigations should be made by the Air Depot Groups of this Command when facilities and personnel are available for proper investigation to be made.

(2) If investigation reveals a dangerous or critical condition or causes of malfunctioning or failure likely to result in grounding or holding aircraft out of commission particularly where life equipment may be affected elsewhere, a full report will be submitted by radio, TWX, or telephone without delay to "Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance.

(5) Unsatisfactory Reports submitted on equipment supplied by other services (as in the case of Signal Corps, Ordnance, Quartermaster, etc.) will be co-ordinated with

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b. Action to be taken by Director of Maintenance First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

(1) Issue necessary technical instructions (Maintenance Technical Instructions) for the correction of deficiencies upon receipt of report of investigation.

(2) Unsatisfactory Reports that should be investigated in the United Kingdom, but require special facilities and trained personnel under the jurisdiction of other Air Forces, may be sent to those agencies or Experimental Stations thru channels for investigation and report of findings.

(3) Maintenance deficiencies which are pertinent to Maintenance or servicing activities in the United Kingdom, and are reported by means of Unsatisfactory Report, will be corrected within the Command and no further action taken.

13. Action to be taken on Unsatisfactory Reports submitted on British and other allied nation equipment.

a. The same action will be taken except as follows:

(1) The report, all copies and allied correspondence, will be forwarded to the Maintenance Division, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) for action deemed necessary.

By command of Major General PCYOL:

OFFICIAL:

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F. J. HROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
1st Col, Air Corps
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UNSATISFACTORY REPORTS

(Memorandum 15-2, this headquarters, 27 December 1944, is amended as follows:)

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6a. In accordance with request of Ministry of Aircraft Production, two copies of all Unsatisfactory Reports concerning British equipment used by USAAF will be transmitted direct to Ministry of Aircraft Production, Millbank, S.W.1, Attention: RDA (Defects).

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By command of Major General ROYCE:

OFFICIAL:

T. W. Hogan
T. W. HOGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt. Col., Air Corps
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MEMORANDUM
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18 February 1945

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UNSATISFACTORY PURCHASE

(Memorandum 15-2A, this Headquarters, dated 5 January 1945 is
reassigned)
(Memorandum 15-2, this Headquarters, dated 27 December 1944,
is amended as follows.)

6. Initiating units will make the following distribution of Unsatisfactory
Reports:

a. On American Equipment:

- (1) Tactical Squadrons: The original and seven copies will be for-
warded to the Tactical Group, which will in turn
 - (a) Forward original and two copies direct or through Group
Headquarters to Commanding General, Air Technical Service
Command, Wright Field, Ohio.
 - (b) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air
Force Service Command (Prov). Attention: Director of Main-
tenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).
 - (c) Forward one copy directly to Commanding General, Air Techni-
cal Service Command in Europe, Attention: Director of Tech-
nical Services.
 - (d) Forward one copy to the Tactical Command (Plainly marked:
Information Copy).
 - (e) Forward one copy to the Air Depot Group through the Service
Squadron, Service Group (Plainly marked: Information Copy).
 - (f) File one copy.
- (2) Service Squadron: The original and six signed copies will be fo-
warded to the Service Group which will in turn
 - (a) Forward original and two copies direct to Commanding Gener-
al, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio.

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(b) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).

(c) Forward one copy direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, Attention: Director of Technical Services.

(d) Forward one copy to the Air Depot Group (Plainly marked Information Copy).

(e) File one copy.

(3) Air Depot Group: The original and five signed copies will be forwarded as follows:

(a) Forward original and two copies direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio.

(b) Forward one copy to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance (Plainly marked: Action Copy).

(c) Forward one copy direct to Commanding General, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, Attention: Director of Technical Services.

(d) File one copy.

b. On British Equipment operated by USAF, Unsatisfactory Reports will be initiated and handled in the same manner as UR's on American equipment with the following exceptions:

(1) The original and two copies will be transmitted direct to Ministry of Aircraft Production, Thames House, Millbank, London, S.W. 1., Attention: RDA (Defects).

(2) Defective equipment and material, forming the subject matter of such Unsatisfactory Reports will be retained in the same manner and for the same period as American Equipment.

-c. Maintenance of Files: Files will be maintained by the Tactical Group or the Service Group if the Unsatisfactory Report is initiated by one of their subordinate units. The Air Depot Group will maintain its own file.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AID,
Adjutant General.

C. E. CRUMHINE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
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UNSATISFACTORY REPORTS

Memorandum 15-2, this Headquarters, dated 27 December 1944 is amended as follows:

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4. PREPARATIONS.

b. Entries:

(1) Station Serial Numbers. These numbers will be assigned by the Group Engineering Officer of the respective squadron (paragraph 6a and 6b). All reports from the station will be numbered consecutively and a new series started with No. 1 at the beginning of each calendar year, prefixed with the last two figures of that year. This consecutive number system may be kept within the Squadron for reference purposes.

(12) Complete details, probable causes, and recommendation.

(c) Unsatisfactory Report Digest Reference - Statement to effect that Unsatisfactory Report Digest (give T.O. number) has been referred to. Whenever relative information is found in Unsatisfactory Report Digest the page number will be given.

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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Colonel, Air Corps,
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T. J. BROGAN,
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MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 20-1)

ORGANIZATION

9 January 1945

ENGINEER SERVICE FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (Irov)

1. GENERAL:

The Engineer Service of the First Tactical Air Force (Irov) includes all Engineer matters pertaining to construction, maintenance and repair of facilities, water supply, camouflage, and all technical engineer functions. These services in this Air Force are centralized under the Commanding Officer, Engineer Command (Irov).

2. RESPONSIBILITIES:

a. The Commanding Officer, Engineer Command (Irov) is responsible for:

- (1) The construction of ground facilities essential to the First Tactical Air Force (Irov) in performance of its mission.
- (2) The maintenance and repair of airfields and tactical air depots of the First Tactical Air Force (Irov).
- (3) The construction and maintenance of airfields for supply and evacuation.
- (4) Establishment and operation of water points to serve First Tactical Air Force (Irov) combat units. Service Command Groups or Teams will take over operation of water points upon departure of the Construction Unit.
- (5) Technical assistance on all camouflage work and execution of special camouflage projects.
- (6) Arrangements for 3rd and 4th Echelon repair of all First Tactical Air Force (Irov) engineer equipment in Army Area. First Tactical Air Force (Irov) Units in Communications Zone other than Engineer Command (Irov) will receive 3rd and 4th Echelon repair of engineer equipment from Communications Zone Engineer Maintenance Companies.

b. The Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Irov) is responsible for:

- (1) Engineer Supply for all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Irov).
- (2) Fire Fighting.

3. CONSTRUCTION POLICY:

a. Construction by Aviation Engineer troops will be limited in general

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to operational necessities comprising the following:

- (1) Runways and marshalling area.
- (2) Taxiways.
- (3) Hardstandings.
- (4) Operating and supply facilities involving heavy construction or clearing, including covered shop facilities on airdromes.
- (5) Protective structures for vital installations and blast sensitive supplies on airfields.
- (6) Access roads from axial roads and circulatory roads on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) installations.
- (7) Water supply installations.
- (8) Gasoline storage facilities at air installations.

4. REQUISITION PROCEDURE:

a. Requests for all major construction projects not included in operational Directives to the Engineer Command (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be submitted to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), for approval prior to initiation.

b. Maintenance and emergency repair necessary to keep facilities operational will be requested direct from the Aviation Engineer Unit at the site.

c. Coordination of details of approved construction will be made direct with the Aviation Engineer Unit Commander at the site.

d. Requests for minor construction after a station has become operational will be submitted in writing by the Station Commander to the Aviation Engineer Unit Commander. The Commanding Officer of the Engineer Unit will undertake to do the work to the extent possible with available means, in the following general priority:

- (1) Maintenance of operational runways, taxiways and hardstandings.
- (2) Rehabilitation or construction of additional runways, taxiways, hardstandings, access roads, and hangars as directed.
- (3) The maintenance, rehabilitation or construction of buildings on the airfield.
- (4) The maintenance, rehabilitation or construction of runway lighting.
- (5) The maintenance, rehabilitation or construction of utilities for quarters on the airfield.

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(6) Other miscellaneous work.

When insufficient forces are available to carry on all work simultaneously, the Aviation Engineer Unit Commander will execute the work in the above general priority.

e. When work of a low priority beyond the immediate capacity of the construction forces is desired by the Station Commander, he will:

- (1) On a field being maintained by Engineers of the IX Engineer Command submit a request for higher priority to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).
- (2) On a field being maintained by Engineers of the Engineer Command (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov), submit a request for higher priority through the Aviation Engineer officer on the field to the Engineer Command (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov). If the decision of the Engineer Command (Prov) is deemed unsatisfactory, he may submit a request through Air Force Service Command Channels to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for a review of the decision.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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29 December 1944

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NO. 25-1)

MEDICAL

Medical Reports

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 25-1, 17 November 1944, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).)

1. Surgeons of all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will prepare and submit reports in accordance with instructions issued by Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, USA, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, directives published by the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), and the following instructions.

2. The designation "First Tactical Air Force (Prov)" will be clearly marked on the top of the face of all reports submitted by unit surgeons.

3. Weekly Reports:

- a. Weekly Statistical Report, WD ID Form 30ab (See AR 40-1080, FTR 45, Circular Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ETOUSA): Weekly Statistical Reports will be prepared on Saturday and dated as of Friday midnight. Group Surgeons, and surgeons of independently operating units will prepare the report in triplicate. The original will be submitted directly to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374; the first carbon copy, marked "Information" will be forwarded to the Chief Surgeon, European Theater of Operations, USA, "Attention, Medical Records", APO 887; the second carbon copy will be filed. Unit locations will be entered in space "Remarks (V)" using map coordinates.
- b. Flight Surgeon's Care of Flyer and Statistical Report (USSTAF Form No. 100): The Flight Surgeon's Care of Flyer and Statistical Report will be prepared by squadron surgeons will be submitted to the group surgeon who will correct and consolidate the reports, listing personnel entered in Sections II and IV by squadron. The original consolidated report will be submitted to the

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will be entered number of flying personnel returned to flying duty, transferred (to another organization while in a status other than flying duty), died, or "Otherwise".

1. Dispositions on line "Transferred" will include all personnel admitted to hospitals. Such personnel being disposed of by transfer immediately upon admission.
 - a. Upon return to the organization, flying personnel will be treated as newly assigned and will be entered in Section IV.
2. Disposition on line, "Otherwise", includes only the following:
 - a. Men whose status has changed so that they properly belong in a new column or subcolumn. (Ref. (e) 3 above).
 - b. Personnel permanently removed from flying.
 - c. Personnel on Sick Leave. Individuals granted sick leave from Hospital or Quarters. These will be picked up Ground Duty by change of status and carried as Ground Duty until returned to flying.
- (h) Remaining. Personnel who, at the close of the period covered by the report, are in a status other than flying duty will be recorded on this line under appropriate subcolumn.
- (i) Totals and Aggregates will be filled in accurately.
- (j) MIA and KIA will be accounted for in spaces provided.
- (k) Table of Days Lost from Flying will be accomplished in full.

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(2) Section II:

(a) Listed by squadrons herein will be the same of all individuals on flying status who are:

1. Removed from flying duty for any cause (this includes all personnel accounted for in Section I on line "Remaining from Last Report".
2. Killed in Action.
3. Missing in Action.
4. Transferred to other units, including detachment of patients.

(b) Attached sheets of paper divided into columns to show the following information from left to right will be used:

- Colm 1 Date (day and month only) removed from flying. This column will also be used to indicate date individual was killed or became missing in action if such is the case.
- Colm 2 Last name, first name, middle initial.
- Colm 3 Rank and rating (appropriate abbreviations will be used).
- Colm 4 Reason for removal. Medical terminology as listed in AR 40-1025 will be used. If killed or wounded in action, the type of missile will be stated, (flak, cannon-fire, plane parts, machine-gun fire, etc). Administrative removals will be accurately and concisely described. In addition, if KIA, MIA, Transferred, Died or permanently removed from flying, the total number of flying hours will be stated and the total operational hours (fighters) or missions

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(bombers) will follow in parentheses.

Colms 5, 6, and 7, Three columns headed "Q", "H" and "GD" respectively will signify number of days the individual spent in "Quarters", in "Hospital", and/or "Ground Duty" during the period covered by the report.

Colm 3 The latest status of the individual will be shown in this column by one of the following abbreviations:

- a. Quarters - Q
- b. Hospital - H
- c. Ground Duty - GD
- d. Flying Duty - F
- e. Missing in Action - MIA
- f. Killed in Action - KIA
- g. Transferred - T
- h. Died - D
- i. Permanently Removed from Flying - R

- (3) Section III. No longer required.
- (4) Section IV. Self-explanatory. Total flying time will include number of operation hours (fighter) or missions (bombers) in parentheses following total flying time.
- (5) Section V. No longer required.
- (6) Section VI. Special.
 - (a) Number of parachute jumps made during the period by individuals covered in the report will be stated. Example: "Parachute jumps - 6." Injuries sustained will be properly reported in Section II.
 - (b) Information pertinent to the subject of Aviation Medicine may be included in this Section, including:
 - 1. Diseases peculiar to flying, their causes, prevention, and treatment.

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2. Protective equipment. Failures, improper use, improvement.

c. Weekly Flight Surgeon's Armor Report (USSTAF MD Form No. 104). The Flight Surgeon's Armor Report will be prepared for each weekly period ending Friday midnight and forwarded not later than Monday following the close of the period by the surgeons of units utilizing body armor for flying personnel. The original accompanied by statements and photographs, will be submitted direct to the Surgeon, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, APO 633. The first carbon will be forwarded to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374; the second carbon will be filed. Negative reports will be submitted by showing personnel dispatched armored and unarmored and "Negative" written into Section II. The primary purpose of this report is to obtain data about the effectiveness of the body armor. The following information will govern the preparation of the report:

- (1) Section I - To be filled in completely. Men will be considered armored if they were issued armor before start of mission.
- (2) Section II - The following data will be recorded for each individual struck by an enemy missile or by a plane part in the region normally covered by body armor, whether he is killed, wounded, or un-injured:
 - (a) Name, rank, ASN, and combat position when struck.
 - (b) Type of missile (flak, cannon-fire, etc). If the missile is recovered, a description of it, giving size and weight, will be included.
 - (c) Result to the armor (bending of plates, dislodgement of plates, etc).
 - (d) Result to the individual, KIA, WIA, or un-injured. Wounds, if any, will be described stating precise location.
 - (e) If "Armored" individual (see c, (1) above)

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was not wearing armor when struck, the reason will be given.

- (3) Additional information to accompany report.
- (a) Photographs (approx 2 1/4" x 3 1/4") showing clearly the damage to the armor. Photographs will be marked in such a manner as to readily identify them with wearer. If photo is unobtainable, reason will be stated.
 - (b) Signed statement as to effectiveness of armor will be obtained from wearer if possible.
 - (c) Statement of the Flight Surgeon as to whether in his opinion, the armor saved the wearer from more serious injury or death.
- (4) Classification: Secret or Confidential as indicated.

4. Monthly Reports:

- a. Monthly Report of Sick and Wounded, (D MD Form No 51) (See AR 40-1080, FM 8-45, Cir Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, (TOUSA): The Monthly Report of Sick and Wounded will be prepared at the end of each calendar month by Group Surgeons and surgeons of independently operating units. The original and first carbon copy, with accompanying Emergency Medical Tags (D MD Form 52b) will be forwarded to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374. The second carbon copy will be filed. Accompanying Emergency Medical Tags will be submitted as follows: Copies of hospitalized cases, so designated by "Copy" at the top, original and duplicate of all Quarters cases, and cases carded for record only. Emergency Medical Tags completed on all flying personnel will be marked in the upper right hand corner of face of the card with the letter "X".
- b. Monthly Report of Medical Department Personnel (D MD Form No. 26c accompanied by D MD Form No. 311.) (See AR 40-1080, Cir Ltrs. No 20, No 63, and No 130, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, (TOUSA): The Monthly re-

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port of Medical Department Personnel will be prepared by Group Surgeons and surgeons of independently operating units. The original will be submitted directly to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, the first carbon marked "Information" to the Chief Surgeon, European T of Ops, USA, "Attention: Medical Records", APO 887, the second carbon will be filed. This report will be submitted not later than the third day following the close of the reported period.

- c. Monthly Statistical Venereal Report (See AR 40-210, Circ Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ETOUSA): The Monthly Statistical Venereal Report will be prepared in quintuplicate for the four or five week period ending midnight of the last Friday of the month, by Group Surgeons, and surgeons of independently operating units. The original and first carbon will be submitted to the unit commanding officer for indorsement and forwarding through command channels. The second carbon copy will be forwarded directly to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374. The third carbon marked "Information" will be transmitted to the Chief Surgeon, European Theater of Operations, USA, "Attention Medical Records", APO 887. The last carbon will be filed. The total days lost due to venereal diseases listed in this report should include only those cases treated by the reporting Medical Officer.
- d. Sanitary Report (See AR 40-275, Circ Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ETOUSA): The Monthly Sanitary Report will be submitted by surgeons of separately operating units following the last day of each month. A sufficient number of copies of this report will be submitted to insure the arrival of the original and two copies at the office of the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). This report will be submitted by the surgeon to his commanding officer for his indorsement and forwarding through command channels. The indorsement will contain a statement regarding action taken on recommendations made in par. 6 of the report. An information copy, so designated, will be sent directly to the Chief Surgeon, European Theater of Operations, USA, APO 887, and one copy will be filed. Statements relative to the potability of the water supply, and the practice of chlorination must be included in this report. The approximate percentage of the com-

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mand actually present at the station but not inspected during the monthly physical inspection of troops will be stated. The percentage of military personnel requiring immunization will be stated for each of the following: smallpox, typhoid, para-typhoid, typhus, and tetanus - if none so state. The venereal supplement, prepared on a separate sheet will state the venereal rate per thousand per annum, but will not state the actual number of cases. This report need not be classified secret unless location or strength of the unit is mentioned.

- e. Monthly Personnel Flying Data Report: This report is no longer required.
- f. Report of Dental Service, ITOUSA, MD Form No 57 (Revised 15 September 1942) (See AF 40-7010, Circ Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ITOUSA): The Report of Dental Service will be prepared in duplicate by the Group Dental Officer who will submit the original to the Group Surgeon for transmission directly to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), AFO 374, on or before the fifth (5th) day of the month. The carbon will be filed.
- g. Report of Medical Department Personnel, Overages and Shortages: The Report of Medical Department Personnel, Overages and Shortages, will be submitted at the end of each month, in letter form, listing the shortages of Medical Department Personnel by grade and MOS number, and overages by name, rank, serial number, and MOS number. The report will be submitted to the Command Surgeon for consolidation. One copy will be filed. Consolidated Reports will be submitted to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), AFO 374.

5. Occasional Reports:

- a. Report of New Venereal Disease, ITOUSA, MD Form No 302 (revised) (See Circ Letters No 20 and No 63, 1944, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ITOUSA): The Report of New Venereal Disease will be prepared in quadruplicate by the unit medical officer diagnosing a case of venereal disease. The original will be attached to the information copy of the Weekly Statistical Report which is forwarded to the Office of the Chief Surgeon, European Theater of Operations, AFO 887; the first carbon will

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be submitted to the unit commander; the second carbon will be attached to the Weekly Statistical Report forwarded to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374. The third carbon will be filed.

b. Flight Surgeon's Report of Aircraft Accident, AMF Form No. 205 revised 6 January 1943.

- (1) All Flight Surgeons will familiarize themselves with AMF Reg 62-14, dated 26 May 42 as amended by AMF Reg 62-14A dated 28 Jan 44 and subsequent amendments when published in the future.
- (2) Medical Officer's Handbook entitled, "The Investigation of Aircraft Accidents", prepared by Hq, AMF, Office of Flying Safety, in collaboration with Hq, AMF, Office of the Air Surgeon, will be found helpful in the preparation of these reports.
- (3) In fighter aircraft accidents, a statement as to whether shoulder straps were worn at the time of the accident is required.
- (a) Copies and Channels of Transmission. This report will be prepared in quintuplicate. Original to Commanding General, Hq Army Air Forces, Washington, 25, D.C, Attention: Air Surgeon. Second copy to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Attention: Chief, Flying Safety. Third copy direct to the Surgeon, US Strategic Air Force in Europe, APO 633. Fourth copy to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374. Fifth copy retained in the files of the medical investigation officer.
- (b) Classification: Confidential or restricted unless information is reported that is of higher classification.

c. Anoxia Report (See USSTAF Regulation 25-2): The Anoxia Report will be prepared in sextuplicate within 24 hours of the occurrence of an anoxia death or accident. The original and two carbon copies will be transmitted directly to the Air Surgeon, Hq AMF, 25, Washington, D.C.

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The third carbon will be marked "Information" and submitted to the Surgeon, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, APO 623, the fourth carbon will be sent to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, and the fifth copy will be filed.

d. Initial Report of Flying Personnel: This report is no longer required.

6. Command Surgeons may direct units to submit information copies of any or all of the aforesaid reports.

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CHART "A" APPENDIX

		Chief Flying Safety Surgeon	Air	TACAF	ETOUSA	USSTAF	UNIT CO	RENDERED:
WEEKLY REPORTS	MD Form No 26ab			O	C			Saturday, noon
	USSTAF MD Form No 100			O		C		Saturday, noon
	USSTAF MD Form No 104			C		O		Saturday, noon
MONTHLY REPORTS	WD MD Form No 51			O&C				Not later than 5 days after close of period
	WD MD Form No 86c			O	C			Not later than 5 days after close of period
	Monthly Statistical Venereal Report			C	C		O&C	Not later than 5 days after close of period
	Sanitary Report				C		O&C	Not later than 5 days after close of period
	WD MD Form No 57			O				Not later than 5 days after close of period
	Medical Personnel, Coverage & Shortage			O to Command Surgeon for consolidation				Not later than 5 days after close of period
	MD Form No 526 Hosp Quarters & C/R			C	O&C			With WD MD Form No 51
OCCASIONAL REPORTS	ETOUSA MD Form No 302			C	C		C	Within 24 hours of diagnosis
	AAF Form No 205	C	C			C		Within 24 hours of occurrence
	Anoxia Report		O&C	C		C		Within 24 hours of occurrence

O: Original

C: Copy

* Sufficient copies to arrive at Hq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) as indicated in Memorandum 25-1

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MEMORANDUM

NO. 25-2

MEDICAL

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 25-2, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 1 December 1944.

1. DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES: It is the function of the Surgeon, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), to distribute Medical Supplies to all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

a. Unit surgeons will procure medical supplies from the service group or team to which their unit is assigned. When it is desired to use a more conveniently located service group or team, unit surgeon will make a formal request in writing to the Surgeon, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), with a statement including service group or team currently in use as well as the one desired, and the reasons therefor.

b. Stocks in Medical Distributing Points will be maintained at a 45 day level for the combined strength of the units served.

c. A 30 day level of expendable supplies will be kept for the Medical Supply Section of the service group or team.

d. Expendable stocks in unit and station dispensaries will not exceed 15 days.

2. USE OF T/BA AND/OR T/E EQUIPMENT:

a. In view of existing shortages in this theater of operations, unit surgeons will use the T/E and/or T/BA equipment on hand. This equipment will be maintained in such condition as to be available for use at any time the need arises.

b. Miscellaneous items of equipment which have been duplicated or appear in excess (instruments, stethoscopes, etc.) will be returned to the Medical Distributing Point servicing the unit. A receipt for this equipment will be given by the Commanding Officer of the Medical Distributing Point.

3. REQUISITIONS:

a. All requisitions must contain a requisition number, date and period covered by the requisition. Attention is invited to Medical Supply Catalogue from this Headquarters.

b. Requisitions of individual units (i.e., fighter squadrons, signal battalions, etc.) will be submitted to the Medical Supply Officer of the service

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group or team servicing that particular unit.

c. Requisitions of the service group or team will be submitted to the Medical Distributing Point (Medical Supply Platoon) of the Air Depot Group servicing that unit. In view of the distances involved in some cases, and to facilitate the flow of supplies, it is suggested that the requisition be submitted and the supplies obtained the same day, except requisitions for certain items as noted in par. 3e below.

d. Separate requisitions will be submitted for:

- (1) Expendable supplies
- (2) Non-expendable supplies
- (3) T/E and T/BA equipment

e. Requisitions which require the approval of higher headquarters will be sent to the Surgeon, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), through Medical Supply channels.

f. All requisitions will be prepared by double spacing and grouping classes of items and individual items in numerical sequence, and will be submitted in duplicate.

g. Requisitions for repair and spare parts will indicate the size, type, description, name of manufacturer and model of the item for which the part is used.

h. Replacement for non-expendable items of authorized equipment, will be made only when the requisition is accompanied by a signed statement to this effect: "Articles rendered unserviceable through fair wear and tear" or "Item concerned is turned in to the Medical Distributing Point for exchange or salvage", or the requisition is accompanied by a signed statement to this effect: "Articles rendered unserviceable (lost) through means other than fair wear and tear and a report of survey has been approved or is pending".

4. CONSERVATION:

a. All surgeons will take steps to insure that supplies are properly used and not wasted. Many items of convenience must be forgotten during the war. Simple supply discipline properly applied will reduce consumption of many items.

b. All dental officers will exert the utmost economy in all items, expendables and non-expendable. This applies particularly to burs, contra-angles, points, rubber goods, trays, waxes and wheels. Dental officers will take particular care in the use of burs and lubrication and cleaning of contra-angles.

5. SALVAGE: When all attempts at repair have failed, equipment may be turned in to the Medical Distributing Point for salvage.

6. SAFEGUARDING AND ACCOUNTING FOR NARCOTICS AND ALCOHOL:

a. The issue and use of narcotics and alcohol in the Theater of Operations

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must be carefully safeguarded.

b. Surgeons of Dispensaries and tactical units and Commanding Officers of Medical Supply Distributing Points are responsible for the maintenance of accurate and permanent records of the receipt, issue and use of these items.

7. INVENTORIES:

a. Medical Distributing Points will submit a complete inventory of stock on hand as of the first of each month. Copies of this report will be submitted to each of the following:

- (1) Surgeon, USST F, FO 633 (Original and copy)
- (2) Surgeon, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) (Copy)

8. BLANK FORMS: Requisitions for Medical Department blank forms will be submitted to the Medical Distributing Point servicing the unit.

9. BACK ORDERS: Medical Distributing Points will not maintain back orders except for items listed on requisitions approved by the Surgeon, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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MEMORANDUM

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MEDICAL

DENTAL SERVICE

1. DENTAL SERVICE BY CIVILIAN DENTISTS: Personnel of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will not be referred to civilian dentists for any type of dental work. If equipment is not available for required dental procedures, the patient will be referred to a U.S. Army hospital for the desired treatment.

2. DENTAL SURVEY:

a. Semi-annual dental surveys will be made of all enlisted men at stations or in commands which are regularly attended by a dental officer. The surveys will be conducted, one between 1 January and 30 June and one between 1 July and 31 December.

b. Classifications will be in accordance with AR 40-510, dated 31 July 1942, and change No. 1, AR 40-510, dated 10 September 1942.

c. Changes in classification that occur as a result of conditions developed by the patient or dental treatment accomplished will be recorded on the survey roster.

d. A dental officer will participate in the monthly physical inspections required by par 1, AR 615-250.

3. DENTAL SUPPLIES:

a. Dental supplies will be obtained through Medical Supply Channels prescribed in Memorandum 25-2, Hq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 1 December 1944. Requisitioning will comply with the provisions of this memorandum.

4. REPORT OF DENTAL SERVICE:

a. Reports of Dental Service, prepared on MD MD Form 57, will be prepared in duplicate, the copy being retained by the unit Dental Surgeon, the original forwarded to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374.

b. Special Instructions:

(1) Paragraph 3 - In cases of admissions other than U.S. Military Personnel, entered in paragraph 3, corresponding case diagnoses and operations

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performed will be entered in Paragraphs 6 and 7.

(2) Paragraph 3B - General remarks will include:

(a) Report of changes of rank of dental officers, giving the effective date of such a change.

(b) Opening and closing of dental dispensaries owing to changes in location with dates and authority.

(c) Shortages of equipment and supplies and statements regarding inability to procure any required supplies.

(d) Report of all prosthetic cases inserted during the month, including repairs and inlays, giving the name of the patient, organization, type of appliance the tooth replaced, name of dental laboratory in which the case was processed, and date the appliance was inserted.

(e) Duties other than dental in nature.

5. FLYING PERSONNEL DENTAL IDENTIFICATION FORM:

a. The Unit Surgeon is responsible for the completion of the Flying Personnel Dental Identification Form with the least practical delay, on all flying personnel of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The dental examination will be made and recorded by a dental officer.

b. Data Required Under Remarks:

(1) The type of denture base material used in dentures, and in cases of partial dentures, the teeth clasped.

(2) Supernumerary and retained deciduous teeth.

(3) Characteristic markings on teeth.

(4) Comments on irregularities of teeth.

c. Disposition:

(1) The Flying Personnel Dental Identification Form will be retained by the Unit Flight Surgeon in the individual's DD AGC Form 64 file.

(a) Reassignment: Upon reassignment of flying personnel, the form will be transmitted to the Surgeon of the station or organization to which the individual is transferred, accompanied by a letter of transmittal to assure that it reaches the responsible Surgeon. If this form is not on file, a letter will be forwarded to the Surgeon, informing him of this fact.

(b) Flying Personnel Permanently Returned to the Zone of the Interior, Missing in Action, and Deceased:

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1. Officers: The form will be forwarded immediately to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for transmittal to: Commanding General, Hq. Army Air Forces, ATTENTION: The Air Surgeon, Washington 25 D.C. The reason (Missing in Action, Deceased, or Returned to the Zone of the Interior) for which the form is forwarded will be stated in each case.

2. Enlisted Personnel: The form will be promptly forwarded to the unit commander concerned for attachment to the soldier's service record. In the case of enlisted personnel Missing in Action, an extract copy will immediately be forwarded direct to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), when the date appearing on the form is subsequent to the date of this memorandum.

(2) In all cases of deceased personnel in which the identification tags are missing and it is impossible to obtain thumb and finger prints of both hands, a dental record must accompany the Report of Burial in compliance with Circ 88, 9 August 1944, Hq European Theater of Operations, USA. A dental chart will be prepared and a notation of anatomical characteristics will be made on the QMC Form IGR.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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MEMORANDUM
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MEDICAL

IMMUNIZATION OF PERSONNEL

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 25-4, 3 December 1944, HQ First Tactical Air Force (Prov).)

1. Immunization of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) personnel will be accomplished in accordance with schedule below. Unit Commanders will ascertain that proper records of immunization are maintained.

<u>Disease & Agent</u>	<u>Initial Dose</u>	<u>Stimulating Dose</u>
Smallpox (vaccine)	Vaccination on entry into service	Vaccination every three (3) years
Typhoid-paratyphoid fevers (triple vaccine)	3 subcutaneous inject- ions of 0.5 cc, 1 cc, respectively, at weekly intervals	0.5 cc yearly
Typhus Fever (vaccine)	2 subcutaneous inject- ions of 1 cc at weekly intervals	1 cc every three (3) months
Tetanus	2 subcutaneous inject- ions of 1 cc each at three (3) week intervals	1 cc one (1) year after initial series

2. An emergency dose of 1 cc of tetanus toxoid will be administered, as soon as possible after injury, to individuals receiving wounds or severe burns, and, when deemed advisable by the responsible medical officer, to those undergoing secondary operations or manipulations of old wounds.

3. The prescribed time interval between doses will be adhered to as closely as possible. However, if a series is interrupted, the remaining doses will be administered as soon as possible (in accordance with schedule set forth above) and a complete new series will not be started.

4. Attention is invited to the provisions of paragraph 12c, AR 40-210, as amended, to the effect that the only record of tetanus immunization required on the identification tags are those of the initial immunization and the routine stimulating dose administered one (1) year later. Subsequent stimulating doses are not required to be recorded.

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5. All immunizations (including all stimulating doses) will be recorded on WD Form No. 81, and, in the case of an enlisted man, in his Service Record. In addition, whenever injections of either tetanus toxoid or tetanus anti-toxin are given in a combat zone, immediate notation of the date of administration will be made on either WD Form No. 52b or 52c.

6. In the case of personnel returning to the United States, evidence of successful smallpox vaccination within one (1) year is required for entry.

By command of Major General ROICE:

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QUARTERLY HISTORY

1. In order to comply with AR 40-1005, Circular Letter #179, Office of the Chief Surgeon, European T of Ops USA, dated 7 December 1943, and Circular Letter #131, SGO, ASF, WD dated 30 October 1943, it is directed that unit surgeons submit to the Office of the Surgeon, Hq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) at quarterly intervals a brief narrative history of Medical Department activities of this organization.

2. A standard outline for use in preparing the quarterly report of Medical Department activities is essential to the end of uniform presentation of material. The following list of subject headings is a compilation of information required by directives from higher Headquarters.

- a. Activities and Early History. This should include date of activation, original designation of unit, place of organization, original T/O and E and changes. Unit quarterly strengths should be shown.
- b. Function and Organization. A roster of Medical Department officers with basic and secondary duty assignment should be included under this heading together with a discussion of medical administration problems and their solution.
- c. Training of Personnel, Equipment, Literature, Training Aids. Under this heading should be included the training status of Medical Personnel at beginning of period, and courses conducted during the period.
- d. Operational Problems and Solution. This should contain a resume of problems in preventive medicine, field service for casualties, improvisations, prevention of injuries (armor, helmets, etc.) weapons in relation to injuries, the airplane in relation to injuries, problems in aviation medicine, personnel equipment data, frost bite, anoxia, ear, nose, throat problems with research conducted.

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- e. General Environmental Sanitation. Include in this paragraph a general discussion of housing facilities, water supplies, food and messing, sewerage and waste disposal.
- f. Dental Service. Discussion relative to adequacy of field dental equipment for the type of work to be done should be included here. Reference should be made to any special items of interest (maxillo facial injuries etc.) and to improvisations.
- g. Venereal Disease Control. Mention here any remarks relative to methods used in an attempt to lower VD rates.
- h. Treatment of Battle Casualties, and Evacuation.
- i. Statistical Material. This is obtainable from file copies of current records, and should cover the reported period.
 - (1) Admission rates per 1000 per annum for:
 - (a) All causes
 - (b) All diseases
 - (c) Injuries
 - (d) Battle Casualties
 - (e) Intestinal disease
 - (f) Venereal disease
 - (g) Neuropsychiatric disease
 - (h) Common Respiratory Disease
 - (i) Malaria
 - (j) Jaundice
 - (2) Non-effective rates per 1000.
 - (3) Patients treated.
 - (a) Number of patient days (quarters).
 - (b) Number of patient days (hospital).
 - (c) Number of out-patients.
 - (d) Number of treatments.
 - (4) Physical examinations, types and number of each.

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- (5) Immunization, types and number of cases.
- (6) Venereal disease.
- (a) Total days lost.
- (b) Average number of days lost per case for:
1. Gonorrhea.
 2. Syphilis.
- (7) Rates mentioned above should be calculated on a monthly basis. This will allow the Medical Statistical Officer of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) to prepare comparative charts of incidence and occurrence.

4. The Medical history will be forwarded in triplicate to the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) within seven (7) days after the close of the quarterly period. Histories for the period ending 31 December 1944 should be in the mail by 7 January 1945. Similar histories will be prepared for the periods ending 31 March 1945, 30 June 1945, and 30 September 1945.

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15 December 1944

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NO. 25-6)

MEDICAL

VENEREAL DISEASE

1. The diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among military personnel will be based on the criteria outlined below:

a. Gonorrhea.

- (1) The diagnosis of gonorrhea will be made on history, symptoms, and physical signs. Confirmation by bacteriological examinations will be employed whenever practicable, but is not required.
- (2) A diagnosis of urethritis, non-specific, or a similar diagnosis other than gonorrhea will not be made:
 - (a) In the presence of a recent history of gonorrhea.
 - (b) In patients who have had treatment local or systemic subsequent to the onset of symptoms and prior to examination.
 - (c) Without the exclusion of gonorrhea by a minimum of three (3) successive cultures taken from the inflamed area at intervals of not less than twenty-four (24) hours, and certified by a Medical Officer to contain no growth of *N* gonorrhea after cultivation by an accepted method for demonstration of this organism.

b. Syphilis.

- (1) A diagnosis of syphilis will be made:
 - (a) Upon demonstration of motile *Treponema Pallidum* by darkfield examination.
 - (b) In the presence of typical clinical manifestations, diagnosis will be made on the basis of two (2) positive reactions to the standard Kahn test.

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- (2) In the absence of clinical manifestations, a diagnosis of syphilis will not be made until a positive serological test has been confirmed and has been found to remain persistently positive when tested at intervals of 2-4 weeks over a minimum period of three (3) months.
- (3) In the absence of clinical manifestations, a diagnosis of syphilis will not be made on the basis of serological tests in the presence of fever, in patients recently vaccinated, or in those with, or suspected to have conditions recognized or suspected to give false positive reactions to serological tests for syphilis.
- (4) Tests of the "Presumptive" or "exclusion" varieties will not be used.

c. Chancroid.

- (1) In the presence of single or multiple lesions of the genitalia, or genital region, the diagnosis of chancroid will be made after the exclusion of syphilis by appropriate laboratory tests, and of herpes progenitalis, traumatic lesions, and balanitic infections on the basis of history and clinical manifestations.

d. Lymphogranuloma Venereum.

- (1) A diagnosis of lymphogranuloma venereum will be made on the basis of history or typical clinical manifestations, and the disease should be suspected in the presence of acute inflammatory inguinal adenopathy with a trivial or no ulcer.
- (2) A diagnosis of lymphogranuloma venereum will not be established by the results of the intracutaneous test (Frei) alone.

e. Granuloma Inguinale.

- (1) A diagnosis of granuloma inguinale will be made on the basis of clinical manifestations. Verification by examination of stained smears of scrapings from the lesion is desirable.

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2. Treatment.

a. Gonorrhea.

- (1) Penicillin will be the drug of choice in the initial treatment of gonorrhea.
- (2) Penicillin may be administered at any medical installation where the drug can be made available without wastage. Whenever feasible, and with the exception of (a), (b), and (c) below cases of gonorrhea may be treated on a duty status.
 - (a) Cases showing complications necessitating hospitalization.
 - (b) Cases resistant to initial therapy.
 - (c) Cases complicated by ulcerative lesions of the genitals, mucous patches, or other open lesions known or suspected to be syphilitic.
- (3) Technique.
 - (a) Initial course of therapy will consist of 100,000 units of penicillin administered in divided doses. The administration of 25,000 units every three (3) hours intramuscularly for four (4) doses is suggested.
 - (b) A second course of therapy, consisting of 200,000 units administered in seven (7) divided doses at intervals of three (3) hours is indicated should there be a relapse or therapeutic failure following the initial course.
 - (c) In the event of relapse or therapeutic failure following the second course it is advisable that the patient be admitted to hospital for urologic consultation and further treatment.
- (4) In the event that the administration of penicillin is not feasible, sulfonamide therapy will be given on a duty status. Sulfathiazole or sulfadiazine are the drugs of choice. (Sulfapyridine will not

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be used). The following scheme of dosage is published as a guide:

- (a) Initial dose 2-4 grams.
- (b) One (1) gram every four (4) hours continuing for a total of five (5) days.
- (c) Then reduce dosage to one (1) gram four (4) times daily.
- (d) If, after the tenth (10th) day of treatment the response has been unsatisfactory, and penicillin is not available, the patient will be transferred to a hospital, with dates and amount of drug administered recorded on the R.T. Every effort will be made to administer penicillin for sulfonamide resistant gonorrhea as soon as possible.

b. Syphilis.

- (1) Penicillin will be the drug of choice in the treatment of primary and secondary syphilis occurring in personnel of this Air Force. It will be administered only in hospitals.

c. Follow-up.

(1) Gonorrhea.

- (a) Penicillin therapy for gonorrhea will suppress the development of clinical or serological evidence of concomitant early syphilis; therefore it is absolutely essential that a serological test for syphilis be performed when a diagnosis of gonorrhea is established, and that a careful examination for clinical signs of syphilis be made. A serological test for syphilis following penicillin therapy for gonorrhea will be performed three (3) months after completion of treatment, and the patient instructed to report any skin symptoms immediately.

(2) Syphilis.

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- (a) Serological tests for syphilis, and an examination for evidence of clinical relapse of the infection will be done at the following times after completion of treatment:

1. Two (2) months.
2. Four (4) months.
3. Six (6) months.
4. Nine (9) months.
5. Twelve (12) months.

- (b) Quantitative Kahn tests will be every two (2) months after treatment on each patient who has a positive serological test. If the titre shows a confirmed increase four (4) months after treatment is completed, or if it remains high (20 units or above) further treatment is indicated, and the patient will be returned to hospital for study accompanied by all case records.

- (c) A spinal fluid examination will be included in the routine check at the six (6) month period following completion of treatment. If the results are unsatisfactory the patient will be admitted to a general hospital for decision as to the necessity for further treatment.

(3) Disposal of Syphilis Register.

- (a) The syphilis register will remain with the patient's unit until the examination for cure at the end of six (6) months has been performed. If the result of the examination is satisfactory the syphilis register will be sent to the Office of the Chief Surgeon, APO 887, (ATTN: Medical Records Division) for review and safe keeping. Notification of the necessary follow-up tests required at the end of nine (9) and twelve (12) months will be initiated in the Office of the Chief Surgeon, and the report will be transmitted direct to the Chief Surgeon.

(4) Patient's record of treatment.

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- (c) The patient's record of treatment (D MD Form No. 78a (ETOUA Form No. 313) (Originally prepared and given to each patient on completion of penicillin therapy in hospital) will be properly indorsed with the data from the required follow-up studies. This record does not replace the syphilis register but is maintained concurrently therewith. Should the original register be lost a new one will be initiated, and the data in the D MD Form 78a (ETOUA Form No. 313) used as a basis for initiation. The necessity of obtaining follow-up studies will be explained to each patient.

3. Status of Flying Personnel:

- a. Flying personnel will be grounded during the administration of therapeutic doses of sulfonamide. They will not be permitted to return to flying duty until, in the opinion of the flight surgeon, they are physically capable of performing such duty.
- b. All syphilitic individuals will be suspended from flying until, in the opinion of the flight surgeon, they are physically capable of performing such duty. Suspension for an initial minimum treatment period of four (4) weeks will be observed in all cases except those undergoing intensive syphilotherapy (arsenical or penicillin). These latter, if physically qualified, will not be returned to flying until seven (7) days have elapsed since the last day of treatment. It is emphasized that the seven (7) day period starts the day after the last day of treatment not the last day of hospitalization. These individuals will be given the physical examination for flying (D AGO Form No. 64) with detailed serological examination, and, in the case of patients treated with arsenic ls, a complete blood count.
- c. Individuals undergoing arsenical treatment who are returned to flying will not be permitted to accomplish such duty for the twenty-four (24) hour period following an arsenical injection. The flight surgeon will informally examine each such individual following the injection, immediately prior to resumption of flying duty.

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- d. An individual on flying status undergoing treatment for syphilis will be limited to such flights as do not interfere with the regularity and continuity of his treatment. An individual failing to take regular treatment will be recommended for suspension from duty involving flying.

4. Venereal Disease Control.

a. Responsibility.

- (1) The control of venereal disease is the responsibility of the commanding officer. The success of any control program requires the energetic interest of all Medical Officers, as well as the medical officer designated as station venereal disease control officer. The latter will make a study of his organization and its environment, will survey the distribution and use of prophylactic materials, will observe the operation of prophylactic stations, and make such recommendations to the unit commander as may be required. The education of all personnel on the medical aspects of venereal disease and its prevention is an important obligation of the medical staff.

b. Prophylaxis.

- (1) Prophylactic station lists will be distributed from time to time. Such stations may be established on military reservations or in local civilian communities by the station commander. These stations will be supervised by the surgeon and operated by medical department personnel.

(2) Individual Pro Packets.

- (a) Mechanical and chemical pro units are available through medical channels. Medical officers will participate actively with the commanding officer in instructing all personnel in the proper use of these items, and will urge all personnel to accept these packets on departure from their station.

c. Control Officers.

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- (1) A venereal disease control officer will be designated in each Group to devote particular attention to venereal disease problems in that vicinity. He will be a medical officer.
- (2) A venereal disease non-commissioned officer will be appointed in each organization. His duty will be to assist the medical officer in obtaining the names and addresses of contacts of infected personnel. This non-commissioned officer need not necessarily be a medical department enlisted man.
- (3) The names and addresses of all infected contacts will be turned in to the Civil Affairs Commission through the local Civil Affairs Officer, or, if no such officer is located in the vicinity, to the local French Police.

5. Reporting.

- a. New cases of venereal disease will be reported each week on WD MD Form No. 86ab.
- b. All cases of venereal disease in which treatment is begun on a duty status will be entered for record only on form 52b. (TMT).
- c. The medical officer who first makes a diagnosis of venereal diseases will, within twenty-four (24) hours, complete FTOSA Form No. 302.
- d. In completing FTOSA Form No. 302, an officer (not an enlisted man) will obtain and record accurate information concerning name and identifying particulars of the patient's sex contacts.
- e. No information concerning the identity of a soldier with venereal disease or the name or identifying particulars of a soldier's sex contacts will be transmitted by members of the medical department to any individual or agency outside the U.S. Army except as directed in paragraph 4 c (3) above.
- f. All venereal disease cases will be reported by the organization in which they occur. If a patient is sent to a hospital with diagnosis deferred, and is

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diagnosed by the hospital as having a venereal disease, the hospital will notify the organization of the diagnosis. The case will then appear on the weekly Statistical Report MD Form No. 86ab of the week in which such notification is received. It will appear in the monthly Venereal Disease Report of the month in which such notification is received.

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MEMORANDUM.)

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MEDICAL
Care of the Flyer

(All previous instructions, this Headquarters, conflicting with this Memorandum are rescinded).

1. DEFINITION: The term "Care of the Flyer" designates that field of Aviation Medicine which is preventive in nature, and directed to the maintenance of the health and efficiency of flying personnel, with particular reference to protecting them from stresses, diseases, and injuries of an occupational nature and to maintaining them at the peak of their efficiency in the air as well as on the ground. The "Care of the Flyer" does not replace ordinary Preventive Medicine but supplements it.

2. SCOPE: All factors which adversely affect the health, efficiency, safety, or welfare of flying personnel, are the concern of the Medical Service of the Air Force even though the remedial action is not the direct responsibility of the Medical Officer. For example, it is the duty of the Unit Medical Office to make recommendations concerning the proper use of oxygen at high altitude, but it is the responsibility of the Commanding Officer to enforce its proper use.

3. PERSONAL CONTACT WITH FLYING PERSONNEL:

- a. Personal contact with flying personnel of the unit in their own environment by the Unit Surgeon is the key to success in the "Care of the Flyer". This contact will be maintained in the mess, on the flying line, at dispersal points, at briefings, on return from missions, during exercise periods, and during off-duty hours. This is relatively easy to accomplish in the case of officer personnel, but more difficult with enlisted air crew members. This can, and should be, accomplished, however, by association with men on the line.
- b. One of the principal ways by which the Medical Officer will establish himself as an intimate part of his squadron is to acquaint himself thoroughly with the various types of aircraft on his station including their seating arrangements, facilities for heating, their performance characteristics, and particularly the type and use of the various items of protective flying equipment carried. Flights will be taken as frequently as circumstances permit with each of the various crews.
- c. Special efforts will be made to establish close relationship with the Unit Commanding Officer, the Unit Operations Officer, and the Unit Equipment Officer.

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- d. The Unit Surgeon, will of course, take part in the routine medical duties including duties at the station dispensary. He will personally care for members of his unit who are sick in quarters, and when practicable will visit members of his unit who are sick in hospital.
- e. It is only by establishing personal contact with flying personnel that many of the results of the stresses and deleterious influences of flying can be detected in their incipency, and remedial measures promptly taken. This is due to the fact that many such effects manifest themselves initially by subjective symptoms rather than by objective signs. Unless flying personnel feel that they can go to their Unit Surgeons as a friend whom they can trust and who understands their difficulties, pathological conditions may be neglected until they have progressed to a point where they are beyond repair.
- f. Distinction must be made between disposition of purely medical and purely administrative cases. It is not the duty of the Unit Surgeon to attempt to exercise disciplinary control over flying personnel. That which cannot be accomplished by friendly council must be left to the Commanding Officer.

4. WD AGO Form No. 64, Physical Examination:

- a. The Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) has been delegated authority to take final action upon physical examinations for flying of flying personnel in accordance with AAF Regulation No. 35-16, dated 20 October 1944.
- b. When flying personnel are incapacitated for flying for physical reasons, sick in quarters, or hospitalized, the Unit Surgeon will promptly inform the Unit Commander in writing, and recommend that the individual concerned be grounded. At the termination of the incapacity with return to duty from sick quarters or hospital, a WD AGO Form No. 64 type of physical examination is to be performed in the following type of cases:
 - (1) After any major illness, however short, and any illness or injury that required a major surgical procedure, or absence from full military duty for a period of one month or more; fractures, especially fractures involving the cranium (see par. 20, a, (12) AR 40-110) or vertebral column; injuries or diseases of the eye; neurological, mental or neuropsychiatric conditions; cardiovascular and renal conditions of an organic nature; encephalitis lethargica, or any condition accompanied by diplopia or lethargy; malaria; paroxysmal tachycardia; recurrent attacks of any of the rheumatic groups; renal calculus; pneumonia, typhoid fever, and other debilitating diseases.

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- c. WD AGO Form No. 64 will be prepared in triplicate, all three (3) copies to be forwarded to Surgeon, this Headquarters, or Headquarters authorized to review Form No 64 for certification and approval. One copy of the certified form will be returned to the Unit Surgeon for information and file.
- (1) WD AGO Form No. 64 completed on trained enlisted flying personnel and on enlisted applicants for air crew, and combat crew training will be reviewed and approved by the Senior Flight Surgeon of the Unit or Station concerned, following which they will be forwarded to the Surgeon, this Headquarters, for certification and processing.
 - (2) WD AGO Form No. 64 completed on flying officers applying for a commission will be submitted for review through Command Channels, as an inclosure to the application.
 - (3) WD AGO Form No. 64 submitted for review and approval on officers and enlisted personnel for restoration to flight status following hospitalization, will be accompanied by three (3) copies of the Hospital Clinical Abstract.
 - (4) WD AGO Form No. 64 on officers who have been removed from flight status for physical disqualifications, for less than six (6) months, and who desire re-instatement, will be accomplished by the Unit Medical Officer and submitted direct to the Surgeon, this headquarters or Headquarters of independent commands for review and approval.
 - (a) All officers who have been removed from flight status for physical disqualifications for more than six (6) months and who desire re-instatement, will be ordered to appear before the Central Medical Board, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and will bring with them under seal, pertinent medical records (Hospital Clinical Abstracts and a medical history including remarks and recommendations of the Unit and Senior Flight Surgeon). The WD AGO Form No. 64 in such cases will be accomplished by the Central Medical Board. Arrangements will be made through Office of the Surgeon, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).
 - (5) WD AGO Form No. 64 and Flight Surgeon's Records on officer and enlisted personnel killed in action, or missing in action, will be retained in the Unit's files (with the exception of officers' Dental Identification Form, disposition of which is covered by other directives of this Headquarters.

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- (6) WD AGO Form No. 64 and Flight Surgeon's Records on rated personnel returned to the Zone of Interior for reasons other than temporary absence from this theatre, will be forwarded to the Air Surgeon, Washington, 25, D.C., through Medical Channels.

d. Waivers:

- (1) Where minor defects are found, a formal request for waiver of such defects need not be initiated by the individual concerned, but can be initiated by the Surgeon, this Headquarters.
- (2) In the case of enlisted personnel, waiver for physical defects of combat crews training or previously trained may, upon recommendation of the Senior Flight Surgeon of the unit, be granted by the Station Commander or the Commanding Officer of the unit concerned (par. 8, c, Section I, AR 40-110).

- e. Standards: For changes in physical standard requirements of enlisted applicants for Technical Training (aerial engineer, radio operator, airplane armorer, radio operator mechanic, flexible gunner, radar mechanic, sea-search, L.A.B.), see AAF Regulation No. 50-12, dated 10 September 1943. Relaxation of physical standards for air crew applicants outlined in WD Cir. No. 176, dated 31 July 1943, is rescinded by Section III, WD Cir. No. 72, dated 17 February 1944.

- f. Entries will be made on the Service Record of all enlisted combat crew members as to their physical qualifications.

- g. Color Blindness: Air crew members (not original applicants) found to be color vision defective, will be examined for color vision according to basic requirements of par. 8, c, Section II, AR 40-105, and the results entered on the examination form. Pilots will be examined as in AR 40-110.

h. Audiometric Readings:

- (1) The Chief Surgeon, ETOUSA, has directed that the results of audiometric testing of hearing, when such a test is indicated will be recorded on all physical examination forms and clinical record forms as shown below:

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- (2) Readings will be recorded under Item 24, WD AGO Form No. 63 and under Item 37 of WD AGO Form No. 64.

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- i. All WD AGO Form No. 64 examinations will be of the final type, unless indicated otherwise by competent authority, and all spaces of the form will be filled in. Where required, the words "None", "Not indicated", or "Not available", will be inserted. The specific purpose for which the examination was made will be noted on the WD AGO Form No. 64, and in the letter of transmittal, to indicate the physical standards applicable to the case. Each defect noted, or the history of recent illness or injury, will be recorded in such clear and complete manner that no question as to its character, degree, and significance can arise when the form is reviewed by higher authority..
- j. Individuals requiring a physical examination for flying before returning to flying duty, will not be ordered to such duty until receipt of TWX from this Headquarters indicating approval or until a certified copy of the WD AGO Form No. 64 is received by the unit from this Headquarters.
- k. Following recovery from a slight incapacitating illness, or injury, the individual concerned will be recommended in writing by the Unit Surgeon to the Unit Commander for return to flying duty without a Form No. 64 type examination unless such is indicated by special circumstances.
- l. When enlisted men have been physically examined for training as combat crew members, an approved copy of Physical Record, WD AGO Form No. 64, will be attached to the individual's Service Record; also the date and one of the three items listed below will also be entered therein under "Remarks":
 - (1) Qualified physically for combat crew training.
 - (2) Disqualified physically for combat crew training due to
 - (3) Temporarily disqualified physically for combat crew training due to
- m. The results of all physical examinations for flying, and the dates of such examinations will be entered on the individual pilot's or crew member's physical record card, AAF Form No. 206. These entries will be authenticated by the Flight Surgeon, who will initial the form in the appropriate places.
- n. Since all stations of this Air Force are not equipped to do physical examinations for flying, stations so equipped will be responsible for the examination of personnel from adjacent stations lacking the necessary facilities.

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o. Frostbite:

- (1) WD AGO Form No. 64 will be accomplished on all flying personnel before resumption of flying following hospitalization for frostbite (high altitude type) of fingers, and will include a description of the extent and degree of the injury. Personnel who have sustained blistering of the skin overlying the distal phalanges of the fingers will not be assigned to positions in aircraft where low temperatures are usually encountered. Personnel who have sustained blistering of the skin covering both the middle and distal phalanges of the fingers will be re-assigned to aircraft which normally operate at lower altitudes and higher atmospheric temperature or will be grounded permanently.
- (2) Experience has shown that frostbite (high altitude type) of feet, toes, neck, face, and dorsum of hands, although extensive does not necessarily produce a lasting sensitivity to exposure to cold as in the case of frostbite (high altitude type) of the fingers. Personnel who have sustained such injuries will be evaluated on the basis of their present condition, and recommendations for re-assignment made accordingly. Cases in which doubt as to the advisability of their return to high altitude flying will be referred to the Central Medical Board, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for study and recommendations.

p. Leave to, or return for duty in Zone of Interior:

- (1) The following information will be submitted through channels to the Surgeon, this Headquarters on all flying personnel returned to the Zone of Interior for leave purposes.
 - (a) Combat crew position _____.
 - (b) Operational history:
 1. Number of missions _____: Completed over what period of time _____: Total number of operational flying hours _____.
 2. Stress: Number of ditchings _____ crashes _____ bail outs _____ fires _____ wounds _____ others _____.
 2. Leave (total and how given): _____.
 4. Flight Surgeon's estimate of degree of stress experienced; i.e. mild, moderate, or severe.

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- (c) Symptoms complained of or noted by the individual during his combat tour such as:

Staleness	Seclusiveness
Inefficiency	Excessive drinking
Insomnia	Excessive smoking
Battle dreams	Anorexia
Startle reactions	Loss of weight
Irritability	Tremor
Lack of emotional control	Vasomotor symptoms
Apathy	Headache and other
Depression	physical complaints

- (d) Flight Surgeon's summary including estimated degree of impairment of efficiency, prognosis for further combat flying, and any other pertinent details.

- (2) On return of flying personnel from leave in the Zone of Interior the following information will be submitted:

- (a) Brief history of the leave, (how spent, individual's statement about it).

- (b) What symptoms have been previously noted:

1. Relieved entirely.
2. Improved.
3. Unchanged or grown worse.
4. Acquired since departure.
5. Weight _____, Blood pressure - S _____ D _____, Pulse _____, rate _____.

- (c) Flight Surgeon's Summary: (estimate of improvement obtained by this leave, prognosis for further combat flying, etc.).

- (3) In the case of personnel returned to the Zone of Interior for permanent change of station the requirements of USSTAF Regulation No. 25-3, dated 5 May 1944, will be complied with.

- q. X-Rays of Chest, Kahn, or Wasserman Tests: Routine x-rays of chest and Kahn or Wasserman Tests will not be required to complete physical examinations, (JD 430 Form No. 64) on combat personnel for return to flying following hospitalization unless such examinations are clinically indicated or have not been made within the previous six months.

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6. REST HOMES: Officers and enlisted personnel ordered to Rest Homes will be advised that such Rest Homes are to all intents and purposes Army Air Forces Stations. Delays in arrival at, and early departure from, contrary to their written orders, are officially Absences Without Leave and will be considered as such.

- a. Officers and enlisted personnel will be instructed to bring sufficient funds with them to Rest Homes to meet their current Rest Home bills.

7. GENERAL LIVING REGIME:

- a. To keep flying personnel at the peak of their efficiency on the ground and in the air, special attention will be given to matters having to do with their ordinary living regime.
 - (1) Preference of combat air crews over other personnel with reference to nutritional requirements and schedules of feeding will be encouraged. Vitamin capsules, when available, will be issued at the mess as an item of the ration to flying personnel, in an amount to be prescribed by the Unit Surgeon. The use of vitamin capsules by flying personnel will not be made obligatory since the American ration is considered adequate in this regard, but their use will be encouraged as a precautionary measure.
 - (2) Meal arrangements, insofar as possible, will be such that operational personnel will not be required to take off on a mission when hungry or immediately after a main meal.
 - (3) For prolonged missions, bomber crews will be provided with a high carbohydrate ration. These rations will consist of what ever items are desired, and available, but concentrated carbohydrates and hot liquids are most helpful, and will generally be preferred. Lump sugar, candy bars, or hard candy, are especially suitable as flight rations since they are easy to carry and to consume, are a quick source of energy, and do not become unpalatable by exposure to low temperatures. Coffee, tea, and chocolate or thin soups kept hot in thermos bottles are refreshing, warming, and a source of ready energy.
 - (a) It is particularly important that combat crews be provided with hot food immediately upon returning from a mission, including hot drinks such as coffee, tea, or cocoa. The use of the whiskey ration is optional.
 - (4) Leave: Leave granted during an operational tour to flying personnel will be granted at regularly recurring intervals and in

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accordance with par. 7, a, (5), (a) below when operating on continuous combat. Although the Commanding Officer grants the leave, the Unit Flight Surgeon can act in an advisory capacity and recommend that adequate amounts of leave be granted.

- (a) The minimum leave to be granted will be twenty-four (24) hours at the end of each week, forty-eight (48) hours at the end of each two (2) weeks, and seven (7) days at the end of each six (6) weeks. The exact date that leave is to be granted an individual will be made known to him sufficiently in advance so that he may plan and utilize his leave to the best advantage. Once granted, a leave period will not be cancelled except in case of urgent military necessity. Under ordinary circumstances, leave of over seven (7) to ten (10) days will not be granted an individual during an operational tour.

8. INDOCTRINATION OF FLYING PERSONNEL: The role of the Flight Surgeon in combating, or minimizing the physical effects of flying, is concerned with several main aspects.

- a. Indoctrination in the use of protective flying equipment: Those concerned are the Equipment Officer, Engineer Officer, and Flight Surgeon. It will be the duty of these officers to insure correct installation and functioning of protective flying equipment, and to train flying personnel of the unit in its proper use and care. Although it is obviously the primary function of the Equipment Officer to deal with protective flying equipment, the Flight Surgeon will acquaint himself with the principles of this equipment and its proper use. He will be thoroughly familiar with the needs of the flying personnel of his unit in these matters, and lectures and instructions by him will supplement those of the Equipment Officer. The protective flying equipment referred to includes the following:

- (1) Oxygen Equipment: It is vital that personnel be instructed not only in the general use of oxygen and oxygen equipment, but in measures to be adopted under emergency conditions at high altitude. The importance of the Demand Regulator in the Auto-Mix "on" position as a means of conserving the oxygen supply on long missions will be stressed as well as the indications for the Auto-Mix "off" position and "Emergency Supply". It is the duty of the Flight Surgeon to provide this instruction.
- (a) Flak Suit and Flak Helmet: Recent statistics demonstrated that numerous wounds in action, many of them fatal, resulted from low velocity missiles from which the flak suit and flak helmets offer the best available protection.

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Unit Flight Surgeons will thoroughly indoctrinate their flying personnel in the use of flak suits and helmets, and will emphasize the fact that there are frequent cases wounded and killed in action because of failure to wear this equipment.

- (2) The amount, type, and manner of wearing of all types of winter flying clothing will be stressed repeatedly. Injuries due to the failure to use protective clothing will be reported in writing to the Unit Commander.
- (3) Safety Belts and Harnesses: A well-fitted harness affords maximum protection to pilots in all types of aircraft in the event of a crash landing on sea or land. Correct instruction in the principles and usage of these belts and harnesses is essential, and will be given by the Equipment Officer.
- (4) Parachutes: Emphasis will be placed on the correct use of oxygen before high altitude parachute jumps and in delayed jumps, also principles to be followed in avoiding injury in parachute escape.
- (5) Goggles and Night Vision: The proper fit and type of goggles are the responsibility of the Flight Surgeon, as is instruction in the proper use of the eyes at night.
- (6) First Aid Kits - Aeronautical: The kits will be regularly inspected in the airplane, and flying personnel will be instructed concerning their contents and correct use (i.e., administration of morphine, application of tourniquets, giving first aid during flight).

b. Indoctrination in the Physiology of Flying: It will be the duty of the Flight Surgeon to instruct and to familiarize flying personnel thoroughly in the prevention, manifestations of, and treatment of deleterious effects met with in flight (viz., air sickness, aerotitis media, aero-embolism, frostbite, altitude sickness, blackout, carbon monoxide poisoning, ocular fatigue (glare), and abdominal distention). The more important problems of this nature which have arisen in this theatre have been:

- (1) Frostbite: Primary causes have been defective electric suits, improper methods of dressing, ill-fitting flying clothing, misuse of flying clothing, removal of gloves to fix gun jams, etc. Proper instruction will be given in all methods of minimizing, and in first aid treatment for, frostbite under the operational conditions prevailing in this theatre.

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- (2) Altitude Sickness (Anoxia): Incident to high altitude operations many cases of Anoxia have occurred resulting in decreased efficiency of crew members, in increasing tendency to frost-bite, and occasionally in endangering the entire crew. Successful missions require continuous high efficiency of all crew members, and that implies complete freedom from Anoxia.

9. EMOTIONAL DISORDERS IN COMBAT CREWS:

- a. Anxiety reactions seen in combat crews fall into two main types. The first are those which appear early in the tour of duty and after relatively little stress. Many of these individuals have been neurotic all their lives, and combat has merely added to their usual anxiety. The second appears later in the tour of duty or after experiencing severe stress. It is frequently severe and requires careful attention and early detection on the part of the Flight Surgeon. Many of these individuals have anxiety which is new to them and is entirely due to the strain of combat. It is surprising how well, even the most predisposed individual, will do under careful local handling. The attitude of the Flight Surgeon is of the utmost importance in the success of his treatment. He should strive for an attitude that embodies understanding and encouragement rather than sympathy. He should know that when it is wiser to sedate a man and relieve him briefly from flying, and when encouragement and reassurance are needed. He should always recognize that men can be wounded mentally as well as physically; that occasionally fear may be so strong as to be incapacitating, and that such fear is not menable to pure reasoning nor can it be voluntarily controlled. Trying to force such a man to fly by making him more afraid of stopping than of going on is quite analogous to the instructor in primary training who roughly shakes the stick and shouts at his pupil to relax. Being afraid of two different things, the anxiety arising from each is additive and inefficiency usually results, or the patient may be forced into a serious mental breakdown from which recovery is not readily achieved.
- b. For effective handling of anxiety reactions, the Surgeon should always remain available to his men. His chief advantage is that he is the one person to whom a flyer can talk freely of his anxiety. Allowing a man to talk about his anxiety is often a most effective means of dissipating it, especially if his fears are met with the implied assurance that he may continue in spite of it. In this regard the Surgeon may act quite effectively as a "safety valve". Sympathy is largely to be avoided as it implies that the patient is not able to cope with his problems. They want and need reassurance that they may carry on in face of their difficulty.

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- (1) Individuals ordered to appear before the Central Medical Board First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will have included in their orders authority to proceed at the discretion of the President thereof on TD for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days to designated "Rest Homes".
- (2) Officers and enlisted personnel ordered to appear before the Central Medical Board, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) or admitted to hospital for narcosis therapy, will be instructed to bring with them a two (2) weeks supply of clothing and other personal equipment, including sufficient funds to cover their expenses should they be subsequently ordered to Rest Homes. Steel helmet and gas mask will be taken. Weapons will not be taken.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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TO: 25-8)

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SANITATION

It is not the purpose of this memorandum to provide a complete manual of environmental sanitation but rather to stress those factors in sanitation which are most frequently found to be defective.

1. Water Supply.

- a. The Corps of Engineers is responsible for establishing and operating water supplies in the theater of operations, except, at times, in the case of smaller units where it may be impracticable for the Engineers to furnish water. The medical Department is charged with the responsibility of making surveys, inspections, and examinations of water supplies and making such recommendations as may be necessary to protect the health of the troops. In many instances unit surgeons assume that the sanitary quality of a water supply is satisfactory if it is derived from an Engineer water point, taking no further interest in the matter. In this connection it is pointed out that it is the definite responsibility of each unit surgeon to familiarize himself with all details of the water supply used by his unit which have a bearing on the health of the command.
- b. Grossly contaminated water should be ruled out as a source of supply, even though complete treatment is contemplated. In general, municipal water supplies are preferable to other sources. Chlorination of such sources to provide at least 1.0 ppm of residual chlorine should be required. Surface sources such as canals, ponds, ditches and small streams are considered the least desirable, because these usually carry a heavy pollution load. In all cases, when it is found necessary to select a surface source, a sanitary survey of the drainage area should be made to locate existing sources of pollution and the purification unit located upstream therefrom.
- c. All water supplies used on the continent will be chlorinated. The amount of chlorine should be sufficient to insure at least 1.0 ppm of residual chlorine after thirty (30) minutes contact. In instances of long storage at the water point, which results in the chlorine residual falling below 1.0 ppm at the time water containers are filled, sufficient hypochlorite solution should be added manually to the containers to bring the residual up to the required 1.0 ppm.

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- d. It should be borne in mind that chlorination is not particularly effective in turbid waters. Chlorine has the inherent defect of sterilizing only the outer surface of suspended particles. It is of primary importance, therefore, that water supplies be as free of turbidity as possible.
- e. Frequent tests for residual chlorine in the water at the point of consumption should be made by the unit surgeon or by someone specifically designated by him.
- f. Frequent inspections of water trailers should be made to determine cleanliness of faucets, bodies, and top openings. Instances have been noted when mud and dirt have fallen into water trailers when the top is opened for filling. Obviously dirty muddy faucets provide a ready means of contaminating water drawn from the trailer.
- g. In winter, suitable shelters should be provided for water trailers to prevent freezing. Frozen faucets result in a shortage of water and trailers are frequently damaged by efforts to thaw them out. Furthermore, dip in from the top of trailers introduces contamination into the water.
- h. Storage tanks, water trailers, and water cans should be inspected at reasonable intervals for interior cleanliness.
- i. When it is impracticable to draw water from an Engineer water point civilian sources may be used. Such water will be chlorinated manually inyster bags, water trailers, or other suitable containers. Residual chlorine will be determined by standard test on each batch treated.
- j. The presence of 1.0 ppm of residual chlorine in the water at the point of consumption is considered as sufficient evidence that the water is potable bacteriologically, unless the water is turbid. "Samples of treated water used by US Forces on the Continent will be submitted for bacteriological examination only by:
 - (1) Engineer Units operating water supplies.
 - (2) Units obtaining water from sources other than Engineer water points."
- k. As military operations progress, the obvious possibility is that many units of the command will be using water whose source is in enemy hands. The contamination of water sources with toxic agents is an enemy capability that must be borne in mind. Each medical officer should ascertain that his water screening kit is complete and ready for use.

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2. Mess Sanitation.

- a. An Army mess includes all the facilities employed in preparing food for and serving it to troops. The Medical Department is responsible for the sanitary inspection of messes and for reports and recommendations relative to sanitary defects. The inspection of messes should be made in accordance with a preconceived plan in order that all factors involved may be taken into account and none overlooked.
- b. The following list is suggested as a guide when making mess inspections:
- (1) Grounds around mess hall and kitchen.
 - Are grounds neat and orderly?
 - Are articles of food on ground around garbage cans?
 - Are grounds well drained?
 - Is trash hauled at sufficient intervals?
 - (2) Garbage disposal.
 - Are sufficient garbage cans provided?
 - Are garbage cans properly washed daily?
 - Are garbage cans provided with covers?
 - Is proper separation of garbage observed?
 - Is method of final disposal satisfactory?
 - (3) Kitchen.
 - Are utensils clean?
 - Is sufficient soap and water used in washing utensils?
 - Are supplies of soap and other cleaning materials ample?
 - Is boiling rinse provided?
 - Is suitable rack provided for storing washed utensils?
 - Is suitable sink, table or bench provided on which to wash utensils?
 - Are stoves clean both inside and outside?
 - Are handwashing facilities for kitchen help provided and are they convenient?
 - Are medical certificates posted?
 - Are items of personal cleanliness of kitchen personnel checked daily by mess Sgt?
 - Is place designated for hanging coats, etc, and is it used?
 - Are floors clean?
 - Are kitchen tables properly constructed and kept clean?
 - Are articles on shelves properly placed and orderly?
 - Is covered bread box provided?

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Is food in storeroom kept up off floor by proper shelving?
Is uncovered food in evidence?
Has a proper meat defrosting shelf been provided?
Is any food purchased from civilian sources?
Are uncooked vegetables properly chlorinated before serving?
Is canned milk served from original containers rather than diluted?
Is food storage room properly lighted?
Is food storage room neat and orderly?
Is use of food storeroom for living quarters prohibited?
Is daily menu posted?
Is kitchen crowded?
Is kitchen properly lighted?
Are latrines convenient for kitchen personnel?
Is excess trash and junk in evidence in kitchen, on shelves and storeroom?
Are proper waste water sewage pits provided?
Is defrosting of all meat in water prohibited?
Are sufficient cans provided for mess kit washing?
Are sufficient heaters provided?
Is pre-rinse can provided?
Is siphon used in one rinse?
Are rinses boiling?
Is sufficient soap used in wash cans to give good suds?
Is water hard, is softening agent used?
Are benches provided on which to place immersion heaters?
Are sufficient brushes provided?
Is boiling pre-dip provided?
Is sufficient soap and water used to wash plates, knives and forks (officers)?
Are dishes and utensils air dried?
Is kitchen properly screened?
Are proper fly-control methods used?
Is there evidence of rodents?
Are rat and mouse traps available?
Is rat-control program in effect?

(4) Mess Hall

Is mess hall well lighted and ventilated?
Are floors kept clean?
Is mess hall properly screened?
Are tables properly constructed and free from cracks?
Are tables scrubbed after each meal?
Are uncovered foods in evidence?
Is mess hall crowded?
Is arrangement good?

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(5) Miscellaneous.

Is civilian personnel used in kitchen?
Are civilians initially examined serologically?
Are civilians properly informed on army standards of sanitation?
Are mess personnel informed on hazards of serving left over foods?

3. Insect Control. Insecticides are Quartermaster items rather than medical items of issue. It is the responsibility of each unit medical officer to know which of the standard US Army insecticides are available and to know their uses. The following has been prepared for the guidance of medical officers when making recommendations to unit commanders regarding quantity and type of materials for requisition. (See Cir No. 106, Hq. European Theater of Operations United States Army, 24 October 1944) Unit Surgeons are urged to recommend requisitioning the items listed at an early date to insure having them on hand when the need arises.

a. Allowances:

ITEM	UNIT	ALLOWANCE
Duster, insect powder, plunger type	ea	1 per mess kitchen
Insecticide, aerosol, 1 lb dispensers	ea	5 per 1000 per month
Insecticide, spray, residual effect	gal	20 per 1000 men per month
Insecticide, liquid, finished spray	gal	5 per 1000 men per month
Insecticide, powder, louse, 2oz	can	150 per 1000 men per month
Insecticide, powder, roach	lb	3 per 1000 men per month
Repellent, insect, 2oz	btl	250 per 1000 men per month
Sprayer, liquid, insect, pump type	ea	5 per 1000 men

(See Cir No. 106, Hq. European Theater of Operations United States Army, 24 October 1944, for other items of issue)

b. Uses:

- (1) Duster, insect powder, plunger type is for use with all insect powders listed. It is used for forcing insecticide powders into cracks and blowing dust on places frequented by insects. Reference: Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. ETOUSA, 1944.
- (2) Insecticide, aerosol, 1 lb dispenser. Used against mosquitoes principally but is effective against flies and other insects. The limited issue of this item renders it advisable to use it only against mosquitoes. It is used by spraying in buildings and tents. Reference: Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. ETOUSA, 1944.
- (3) Insecticide, spray, residual effect. DDT. Used against mosquitoes, flies, fleas, roaches, bed-bugs, ants, and other insect pests. It is sprayed on screens, walls, mattresses, beds, in

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floor and wall cracks, and other places where insects rest or hide. The residual effect of this spray renders it very effective and requires less frequent treatment. Residual effect lasts from one (1) week to three (3) months, depending upon circumstances. Reference: Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. AFMUSA, 1944.

- (4) Insecticide, liquid, finished spray. Same uses as residual effect spray but is effective only at time of use.
- (5) Insecticide, powder, louse, 2oz can. Used against lice, chiggers, fleas, roaches, and bed-bugs. It is used by dusting into clothing and bedding for control of lice, into clothing for control of chiggers, into clothing, bedding and into cracks and on floors for control of fleas, dusted on shelves and in cracks for control of roaches, and dusted into bedding, beds, and wall cracks for control of bed-bugs. Reference: Cir No. 47, 60, 19, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. AFMUSA, 1944.
- (6) Insecticide, powder, roach. Used against roaches. Dusted on backs of shelves and in cracks and other places frequented by roaches. Reference: FM 21-10, Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. AFMUSA, 1944.
- (7) Repellent, insect, 2oz bottle. Used against mosquitoes, fleas, ticks, and biting flies. It is used by rubbing lightly but thoroughly onto exposed skin and on parts of clothing where insects can bite through. For repellent fleas, chiggers, ticks, apply to openings in clothing especially at the waist line, bottom of trousers, leggings, etc. Reference: Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. AFMUSA, 1944.
- (8) Sprayer, liquid, insect pump-type. Used for applying liquid insecticide sprays. Reference: FM 21-10, Cir No. 60, Office of the Chief Surgeon, Hq. AFMUSA, 1944.
- (9) In addition to the above insecticides and repellents, attention is invited to the fact that powdered sulphur is a most effective repellent for chiggers. It is used by dusting lightly inside clothes, and in bedding. Powdered sulphur is a medical supply item.

- c. Special care should be taken to prevent powdered insecticides such as roach powder, louse powder, etc. from being mistaken for baking powder and soda in the preparation of food.

4. Quarters Inspection.

- a. The proper maintenance and policing of quarters is considered very important. There is no single environmental factor which has a greater bearing on the morale of troops than the neatness and orderliness of

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the quarters which they occupy. There appears to be a tendency, particularly among those organizations which have been overseas for a considerable time, to permit laxity in this respect. It is strongly recommended that such tendencies be corrected and that the medical officer place more stress on the importance of good housekeeping.

- b. When making quarters inspections, the following points should be looked for:

Are quarters crowded?
Is head to foot sleeping practiced?
Are quarters neat, orderly, and well policed?
Are quarters well lighted and ventilated?
Is mess gear properly hung in specified place?
Is there evidence of carrying food from mess hall to quarters?
Are open foods in evidence?
Is water readily available in adequate quantity?
Are latrines convenient?
Are latrines adequate, and properly policed and maintained?
Are showers available?
Is hot water in sufficient quantity provided?
Are laundry facilities available?
Are cots or beds furnished?
Do men have ample blankets?
Is each man provided with a can of insect powder and a bottle of hal-azone tablets?
Are quarters dry and well heated?

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MEDICAL

15 February 1945

VETERINARY REPORTS

1. Each Quartermaster in Service Groups and Air Depot Groups of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will submit a monthly report of "Food of Animal Origin" utilizing 1st TAC AF (Prov) VC Form No. 1, a copy of which is included as appendix "A".
2. Reports will be prepared as of the last day of each month, and forwarded so as to reach this headquarters by the 3rd of each month.

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MONTHLY CLASS I AND STRENGTH REPORT

Reporting Unit _____ Location _____
Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____ Date _____
For month ending _____ Mean Strength of issue during month _____

MEATS AND MEAT FOOD AND DAIRY PRODUCTS

<u>BEEF PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Beef, roasting & frying	_____	_____	_____
Beef, stewing & boiling	_____	_____	_____
Beef, ground	_____	_____	_____
Beef, frozen	_____	_____	_____
Beef, corned, canned	_____	_____	_____
Hash, corned beef, canned	_____	_____	_____
Misc. beef products	_____	_____	_____

<u>PORK PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Pork, frozen	_____	_____	_____
Bacon, slab or sliced	_____	_____	_____
Bacon, canned	_____	_____	_____
Ham, cured, smoked	_____	_____	_____
Pork Luncheon meat	_____	_____	_____

<u>POULTRY PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Chicken, frozen	_____	_____	_____
Eggs, shell	_____	_____	_____
Poultry, canned	_____	_____	_____
Eggs, dried	_____	_____	_____

<u>DAIRY PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Milk, canned	_____	_____	_____
Milk, dried	_____	_____	_____
Butter, fresh	_____	_____	_____
Cheese, cured	_____	_____	_____
Ice cream mix	_____	_____	_____
Butter & Cheese, canned	_____	_____	_____

<u>SAUSAGE PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Sausage, bologna	_____	_____	_____
Sausage, frankfurter	_____	_____	_____
Sausage, pork, canned	_____	_____	_____
Sausage, V.S., canned	_____	_____	_____
Sausage, dried or summer	_____	_____	_____

<u>FIELD RATIONS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
C - Rations	_____	_____	_____
K - Rations	_____	_____	_____
IO - 1, Rations	_____	_____	_____
Lard, substitute	_____	_____	_____
Salmon, canned	_____	_____	_____

NOTE: 1. Miscellaneous beef consists of chili, meat and vegetable stew, meat and vegetable hash, and boullion cubes.

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 Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____ Date _____
 For month ending _____ Mean Strength of issue during month _____

MEATS AND MEAT FOOD AND DAIRY PRODUCTS

<u>BEEF PRODUCTS</u>	<u>Pounds Received</u>	<u>Pounds Issued</u>	<u>Pounds Damaged or Spoiled</u>
Beef, roasting & frying			
Beef, stewing & boiling			
Beef, ground			
Beef, frozen			
Beef, corned, canned			
Hash, corned beef, canned			
Misc. beef products			

PORK PRODUCTS

Pork, frozen			
Bacon, slab or sliced			
Bacon, canned			
Ham, cured, smoked			
Pork Luncheon meat			

POULTRY PRODUCTS

Chicken, frozen			
Eggs, shell			
Poultry, canned			
Eggs, dried			

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Milk, canned			
Milk, dried			
Butter, fresh			
Cheese, cured			
Ice cream mix			
Butter & Cheese, canned			

SAUSAGE PRODUCTS

Sausage, bologna			
Sausage, frankfurter			
Sausage, pork, canned			
Sausage, V.S., canned			
Sausage, dried or summer			

FIELD RATIONS

C - Rations			
K - Rations			
IO - 1, Rations			
Lard, substitute			
Salmon, canned			

- NOTE: 1. Miscellaneous beef consists of chili, meat and vegetable stew, meat and vegetable hash, and bouillon cubes.
2. All items will be listed in pounds only.
3. Eggs weigh forty-five (45) pounds per case or one and one half pounds (1 1/2) per dozen.

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CENTRAL MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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1. Appointment and Composition.

- a. In compliance with paragraph 15 a, Section IV, AAF Regulations No. 35-16, dated 2 October 1944, there has been appointed at this Headquarters a Central Medical Examining Board consisting of four (4) senior Medical Officers.

2. Functions.

- a. The Central Medical Examining Board will consider the physical qualifications for flying duty of the following individuals when physical examination of such individuals is indicated and will submit recommendations to the surgeon, this headquarters:
- (1) All general officers of the command, except following minor physical incapacity which may have been cause for grounding.
 - (2) All commanding officers of Air Forces stations or major tactical units, to include commands, wings, and groups, of the command with the exception as noted in paragraph 2 a (1).
 - (3) All individuals under consideration for suspension from flying status for the following reasons:
 - (a) Undesirable habits or traits of character.
 - (b) Serious, willfull violations of flying regulations.
 - (4) All rated officers whose physical qualifications for flying cannot be definitely determined by the station or unit flight surgeon. Questionable or controversial cases will be referred to the Central Medical Examining Board for further study.
 - (5) Such other officers who may be ordered to appear before the Central Medical Examining Board by proper authority.
- b. Clear cut cases of physical qualification or physical disqualification will not be referred to the Central Medical Examining Board.
- c. Cases that involve only a lack of proficiency in flying duties or

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failure to perform minimum flight duty will not be sent to the Central Medical Examining Board but will be disposed of by proper Flying Evaluation Board action.

3. Method of Ordering Officers before Central Medical Examining Board.

- a. Officers will not be referred by unit commanders directly to the Central Medical Examining Board without the approval of this headquarters. Under circumstances where, in accordance with paragraph 2, above, it is desired that an officer appear before the Central Medical Examining Board the unit commander will recommend such action to this headquarters.
- b. Such recommendation will be supported by the following pertinent records:
 - (1) Copy of recent WD AGO Form No. 64.
 - (2) Complete history of case with reasons for examination and other pertinent information prepared by the unit flight surgeon.
 - (3) A letter from the unit commander containing an evaluation of the individual's general fitness for assigned duties and other appropriate information.
 - (4) Abstracts of hospitalizations if available.
 - (5) WD AGO Form No. 66-1 or 66-2 in case of officers, or Service Record, WD AGO Form No. 24, and WD AGO Form No. 20 in the case of enlisted men.
 - (6) Copies of appropriate orders if individual has been grounded or temporarily suspended from flying status.
- c. When it is necessary to expedite the appearance of an officer or an enlisted man before the Central Medical Examining Board arrangements may be made by communicating directly with the president of the Board by telephone. In such instances individuals will bring records listed in paragraph 4 b in a sealed envelope.

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AUDIT AND ROUTING OF REPORTS OF SURVEY

1. Responsibility for audit of Reports of Survey will rest with the Fiscal Officer, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. After action by the appointing authority the following disposition of copies of Reports of Survey will be made:

a. When all concerned are relieved from responsibility and pecuniary liability, the original report, together with one copy of the supporting evidence, will be forwarded direct to this headquarters (Attention: Fiscal Officer), for audit and transmission to Commanding General, Com Z. The duplicate will be returned to the commander initiating the report, for use as a credit voucher. The triplicate will be retained by the appointing authority in temporary file.

b. When pecuniary liability is involved, the original and duplicate of the Report of Survey, together with one copy of the supporting evidence, will be forwarded direct to this headquarters (Attention: Fiscal Officer), for audit and transmission to Commanding General, Com Z. The triplicate will be returned to the commander initiating the report, for use as a credit voucher.

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BUDGET AND FISCAL

GENERAL DIRECTIVE FOR OPERATION OF
BUDGET, FISCAL AND FINANCE ACTIVITIES

I. GENERAL

1. The Fiscal Officer, Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), is charged with the supervision, for the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), of all budget, fiscal and finance activities pertaining to units within First Tactical Air Force (Prov). He will hereinafter be referred to as the Fiscal Officer.

2. The Fiscal Officer will exercise staff supervision to accomplish the objectives and execute the plans and policies established by directives issued by the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and higher command echelons, pertaining to budget, fiscal and finance activities. He will be responsible for making necessary decisions and furnishing information pertaining to budget, fiscal, and finance programs and standards, and for providing such review and check as are necessary to insure the successful accomplishment of the assigned mission.

3. In the performance of the above stated functions, the Fiscal Officer will exercise staff supervision over Finance Officers of subordinate organizations.

II. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The duties and responsibilities of the Fiscal Officer cover staff supervision of all budget, fiscal and finance activities and problems inherent in the administration of finance offices in the First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), as prescribed in official publications of Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and higher command echelons.

2. Specifically the major functions include:

- a. Advice to the Commanding General and staff on all budget, fiscal and finance matters.
- b. Coordination of finance policies and activities of subordinate finance offices.
- c. Preparation of estimates of fund requirements.
- d. Procurement of funds, making such sub-allotments as may be required, and maintaining fiscal records.
- e. Determination that specially allotted funds, such as entertainment and intelligence, are properly expended in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and existing policies.

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- f. Coordination in the location of disbursing and agent finance offices.
- g. Technical supervision over all disbursing and Class "B" Agent finance offices.
- h. Contact periodically with the commanding officers and finance officers of all stations to insure efficient finance operation and maximum service to troops.
- i. Rendering of opinions on the application of Comptroller General decisions and regulations of higher commands.
- j. Insuring compliance with existing regulations and instructions regarding disbursements.
- k. Coordination in procurement and distribution of technical finance equipment and administrative finance supplies.
- l. Coordination in the assignment of fiscal and finance personnel.
- m. Establishing of technical proficiency requirements, and maintaining a technical training program for finance personnel.
- n. Ascertaining that adequate preparation has been made by fiscal and finance sections for mobile operations.
- o. Reviewing of recommendations for promotion of all subordinate finance officers.
- p. Preparation of summary accounts, statistics and reports, on budget, fiscal, and finance operations.
- q. Maintaining current data, and disseminating information on functions and procedures of finance offices relative to allotments, war bonds, government insurance, transmittal of funds, etc.
- r. Advice to the Fiscal Officer of the next higher echelon on all pertinent fiscal and finance activities of the Air Force.
- s. Reviewing and acting on reports of survey and reports of boards of officers in connection with fiscal matters when required.
- t. Supervision of audits of property accountability when directed.
- u. Approval of the opening and closing of disbursing and class "B" agent finance offices.
- v. Supervision of Soldiers' Savings program.

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III. PERSONNEL

1. Appointment of non-commissioned officers of the first three grades will be made by the Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov). Recommendations will originate with the respective Finance Officers and be forwarded through command channels.

2. The Fiscal Officer will give his personal attention to appointment of enlisted men to non-commissioned officers of the first three grades in the Finance Department. It is desired that no enlisted man be appointed to one of the first three grades unless he has demonstrated the desired qualifications of leadership, is thoroughly versed in at least two sections of a disbursing office, and has a good working knowledge of all sections.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. In respect to budget, fiscal and finance technical matters, the Fiscal Officer may correspond directly with fiscal officers of higher echelons of command without the necessity of communicating through command channels.

2. Correspondence relative to the following matters will be forwarded to the Fiscal Officer by subordinate Finance Officers:

- a. Requests for bonding of finance officers and enlisted men.
- b. Requests for appointment of deputy finance officers and appointment of enlisted men as cashiers.
- c. Inquiries concerning technical or administrative finance matters.
- d. Informal correspondence relative to finance personnel requirements.
- e. Questions of policy or interpretation of finance technical regulations, memoranda, etc.

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BUDGET AND FISCAL

OBLIGATION OF FUNDS ON LOCAL
PROCUREMENT VOUCHERS

1. The purpose of this directive is to secure the required fiscal data on funds obligated by Purchasing and Contracting Officers on Local Procurement Vouchers FD ETO Form #1. The provisions of this directive are applicable to all Purchasing and Contracting Officers appointed under the authority delegated in Memorandum No. 65-2, dated 25 November 1944.

2. Purchasing and Contracting Officers will complete at the end of each month a Procurement Action Report, summarizing their procurement direct from civilian sources. For liberated and occupied countries other than Germany, only cash purchases will be listed on this report. Items requisitioned direct from civilian sources or secured by a demand on the Government of the country concerned will not be reported in this manner. Procurement Action Reports made on procurement in Germany will include all purchases, confiscations, requisitions or seizures during the month.

3. The original copy of the Procurement Action Report, GPA ETO Form 7, prepared monthly by Purchasing and Contracting Officers, will be forwarded direct to the Fiscal Officer, Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), APO 374, so as to reach that Headquarters not later than the fourth day of the month following the month covered by the report. The duplicate copy will be forwarded direct to the General Purchasing Agent Hq ETOUSA, so as to arrive there by the tenth day of the month following the month covered by the report. The triplicate will be retained by the Purchasing and Contracting Officer. An informal negative report in letter form (original only) will be forwarded by all Purchasing and Contracting Officers to the Fiscal Officer, Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), in lieu of the Procurement Action Report, when applicable.

4. When a pad of Local Procurement Vouchers is completely used and the pertinent information extracted from the retained triplicate copies and noted on the Procurement Action Report, the used pad containing the triplicate copies will be forwarded to the Fiscal Officer, Hq I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), for verification of the Procurement Action Reports. Triplicate copies of FD ETO Forms #1 will be returned to Purchasing and Contracting Officers for their records.

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BUDGET AND FISCAL

NON-PAYMENT OF TROOPS

1. A report, original only, in substantially the attached form, will be furnished this Headquarters by each organization covering the month of March 1945 and each month thereafter.

2. Such reports will be forwarded through command channels, intermediate commands using consolidated letters of transmittal rather than indorsement, to reach this Headquarters not later than the 20th day of the month following the month covered by the report.

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REPORT ON NON-PAYMENT OF ENLISTED PERSONNEL

Name of Organization

APO

Month covered by Report

1. The following members of this organization were not paid in full
to _____ 1945:

NAME

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DATE TO WHICH
LAST PAID

REASON FOR
NON-PAYMENT

2. During the month of _____ 1945, _____ enlisted personnel were
not paid on regular or supplemental payrolls and individual vouchers.

3. As of _____ 1945, _____ enlisted personnel were not paid in
full for the month of _____ 1945, _____ enlisted personnel were not paid
for two months ending _____ 1945, _____ enlisted personnel were not paid
for three months ending _____ 1945, etc.

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BUDGET AND FISCAL

NON-PAYMENT OF TROOPS

1. Your attention is directed to Memorandum No. 30-4, this Headquarters, dated 13 April 1945, Subject: Non-Payment of Troops.
2. The form required will be changed by eliminating the work "not" from paragraph 2, thus furnishing the total number of men paid on regular and supplemental rolls and individual vouchers.
3. Compliance with Memorandum No. 30-4 was, generally, not satisfactory. The reports required by that Memorandum must be submitted regularly and promptly.
4. An analysis of such reports as were made indicates the existence of an unsatisfactory condition insofar as payment of troops is concerned. In this connection your attention is directed to the fact that failure to sign pay roll, personnel joining organization after pay rolls have been prepared, not present for pay, and incorrect signatures, do not justify non-payment of troops. Where men are in a hospital, payment should be made promptly unless the location of the hospital makes payment impractical.
5. It is the policy of this headquarters that all troops be paid regularly and promptly and that failure to pay be clearly justified by the circumstances.

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MEMORANDUM

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PERSONNEL MILITARY

BATTLE AND NON-BATTLE CASUALTY REPORTS
MISSING AIR CREW REPORTS

(This memorandum supercedes Memorandum 35-1, this headquarters, dated 6 Jan 1945, and Memorandum 35-1A, this headquarters, dated 31 Jan 1945, and Memorandum 35-1B, this headquarters, dated 4 March, 1945.)

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Letters of Condolence	10
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1. REFERENCES. The following instructions and directives of higher headquarters are incorporated in this memorandum regarding the preparation and processing of reports and records concerning casualties.

- Army Regulations 345-400, 345-475 and 500-550.
- WD Circulars 71 and 111, 1944; 2 and 14, 1945.
- ETO Circulars 68 and 122, 1944; 6, 12 and 31, 1945.
- SOP ETOUSA No. 26, 1944.
- Letter, WDAGO, 7 July 1944, file AG 704 (5 July 44) OB-S-AMF-4, subject: "Missing Air Crew Report".

2. APPLICATION AND SCOPE. The provisions hereof apply to all persons serving in the theater who are subject to military law under Article of War 2, including civilians accompanying or serving with the Army of the United States who become casualties.

3. PURPOSE. Casualty reports are rendered for the purpose of providing the War Department with prompt, complete and accurate information on each individual casualty in order that the emergency addressee and next-of-kin may be notified accordingly.

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4. ACCURACY AND PROMPTNESS. The need for accuracy and promptness in reporting casualties cannot be over-emphasized. The element of time involved will be thought of in terms of hours rather than days. The highest possible priority will be given every phase of casualty reporting.

5. RESPONSIBILITY. The prompt and accurate reporting of all casualties occurring within this Air Force is the responsibility of all Commanders; and all personnel engaged in preparation and rendition of casualty reports will strictly comply with the provisions of this memorandum and familiarize themselves with the references in paragraph 1, above. Undue distress to next-of-kin, embarrassment to the War Department and criticism of Field Commanders will result if promptness and accuracy are not followed in preparation of all casualty reports.

6. TYPES OF CASUALTIES. The headquarters of the unit concerned will classify each casualty either BATTLE or NON-BATTLE from one of the following types:

a. Battle Casualties - A casualty will be classified a Battle Casualty if wound, injury or death (other than death from disease) occurs as a direct result of enemy action during an engagement, immediately engaged in, going to, or returning from a combat mission, whether or not directly due to enemy action, or as a result of an act of the US or Allied Forces while engaging the enemy.

(1) Battle Casualties are grouped in certain categories.

- (a) Killed in Action (KIA)
- (b) Died as result of wounds received in action (DOW)
- (c) Died as result of injuries received in action (DOI)
- (d) Seriously wounded in action (SWA)
- (e) Seriously injured in action (SIA)
- (f) Slightly wounded in action (LWA) (Requiring hospitalization in excess of 24 hours)
- (g) Slightly injured in action (LIA) (Requiring hospitalization in excess of 24 hours)
- (h) Missing in action (MIA) (Presumed to be the result of enemy action)
- (i) Captured (CA) (Only when it is definitely known that the person was captured will he be reported this category)
- (j) Interned (INT) (Interned in neutral country as result of enemy action)
- (k) Seriously ill, gas casualty (SIG)

b. Non-Battle Casualties - All casualties occurring not as a result of, or directly attributed to enemy action are non-battle.

- (1) All deaths.
- (2) Missing (Any person who is unaccounted for, but not due to enemy action for a period of seventy-two (72) hours, such as failure to return from training or ferry flight. This should not be confused with MCL. A person on leave, furlough or pass who fails to return WILL NOT be reported missing.

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- (3) Interned (any person who is definitely known to be interned, but not as a result of enemy action, such as forces landing in a neutral country while on training or ferry flight.)
- (4) Seriously Ill (any person who, for insanity or other mental conditions is unable to write home, or is seriously ill to the extent that his life is in danger is a Seriously Ill Non-Battle Casualty. Reports on such cases are the responsibility of Commanding Officers of Hospitals to which patients are confined and no report will be submitted by any unit other than the Hospital.)

7. DETERMINATION OF STATUS. a. Deceased. (1) Any person will be reported deceased when there is reasonably conclusive evidence of death or when there are circumstances that lead to no other logical conclusion.

- (2) In applying the term "reasonably conclusive evidence of death" it will be kept in mind that circumstances indicative of death are not always reasonably conclusive evidence of death.
 - (a) A report of death based on testimony concerning an aircraft crash behind enemy lines, and beyond the scope of investigation by our forces is of questionable accuracy no matter how severe the crash described by the witness. Such report is indicative of, but not reasonably conclusive evidence of, death.
 - (b) Submission of reports of death on personnel who, after suffering severe wounds or injuries or being last seen in a highly perilous situation, are left behind in territory occupied by the enemy or over-run by enemy counter-attack are also of questionable accuracy. The possibility of capture by the enemy and eventual recovery in this type of case makes decision as to the fate of such personnel highly susceptible to error.
 - (c) Conversely, in the absence of identified remains of the deceased, reliable reports of death can be submitted if casualty occurs in territory controlled by allied forces where facilities for complete investigation and thorough search exist. This is particularly true in the case of surface craft and aircraft lost in allied-controlled waters where prompt and thorough search fails to recover all personnel involved. The rescue or recovery of the remains of a portion of the group involved in such an incident leads with considerable certainty to the fact that the remainder of the group may justifiably be reported as deceased. A similar situation exists in the case of personnel who disappear after a direct hit on their position by an enemy shell or bomb, or of personnel who fail to escape from a burning armored vehicle. In such instances the recovery of identifiable remains is probably impossible, and the failure to recover the remains of these casualties should not deter the submission of a report of death.

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(3) When a date of death is to be reported under circumstances permitting selection of a date, the latest date that death could reasonably be presumed to have occurred under such circumstances will be selected. If an estimated date of death or date of burial is used as a basis for determining date of death consideration should be given to the fact that in many cases individuals are reinterred or buried long after they have become deceased. In cases where there is an abnormal length of time between the date of reporting the individual missing or missing in action, and the date established as the date of death, the complete circumstances and reasons for selecting the established date will be forwarded to this headquarters with the change of status report.

b. Missing or Missing in Action. (1) Any person unaccounted for, except those in the category referred to in subparagraph a, above, will be reported as missing or missing in action.

(2) Missing in action results from the physical absence of a person who may be presumed to have participated in action with the enemy and whose presence elsewhere cannot be ascertained or accounted for.

(3) Missing results from the physical absence of a person not definitely known to be MIA who may not be presumed to have participated in action with the enemy, and whose presence elsewhere cannot be ascertained or accounted for.

(4) Missing or missing in action personnel will be reported as such and dropped by their organizations after a minimum of 72 hours. However, at no time will a missing or missing in action report be delayed longer than ten days. Investigation of the circumstances attending the case of any person reported missing or missing in action will follow when the conditions indicate the advisability thereof.

(5) When conclusive evidence justifies a change from a report of missing or missing in action to one of death, a supplementary report will be promptly submitted as prescribed in paragraph 8, below. If the information or evidence is not conclusive of death, a report of all facts will be forwarded to this headquarters.

(6) In cases of missing and missing in action not accounted for by a missing air crew report, all available information, including a resume of the statements of witnesses, will be reduced to writing and will accompany the individual's personnel records when forwarded to this headquarters. (See appendix 6)

(7) When the whereabouts of the individual is unknown, a change of status report from wounded or injured in action to one of missing in action will be made when a review of the circumstances indicates that the wounded or injured report was submitted without sufficient foundation.

c. Wounded or Injured in Action. (1) Wounded in action casualties are those resulting from:

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(a) Piercing of the body by a projectile, a fragment of shell or bomb, or an object set in motion by enemy weapons or by weapons of US or allied forces while engaging the enemy.

(b) Piercing of the body by any weapon in the hands of, or hurled or thrown by, the enemy.

(c) Torn flesh or broken bones received from a moving object propelled by the enemy or by US or allied forces while engaging the enemy.

(2) Injured in action casualties are those resulting from abrasions, sprains, fractures, concussions and exposure (such as frostbites, sunburns, immersions, etc) where the body has not been pierced resulting from a source as outlined in subparagraph (1), above. Hospitalization must be for 24 hours or longer and in cases of exposure the individual must require medical attention for purposes other than rest and/or nourishment. Trenchfoot is a non-battle casualty.

(3) Wounds or injuries sustained by airborne troops jumping from aircraft or landing by glider on a combat mission are classified either as wounded or injured in action based on the definitions above.

(4) In those cases where both a wound and an injury are present, the casualty will be classified and reported as wounded in action.

d. Miscellaneous. (1) Psychoneurosis and mental diseases developing under battle conditions, commonly but improperly designated battle neurosis, anxiety, hysteria, shellshock, etc, will not be reported as battle casualties.

(2) Readmission for old battle wounds and injuries and subsequent return to duty will not be reported on battle casualty reports.

(3) Wounds and injuries not requiring hospitalization in excess of 24 hours will not be reported. However, all such wounds and injuries, including type of wound or injury, date and geographical location where the incident occurred will be entered under "Administrative Remarks" in the service record of enlisted personnel, and under "Remarks" on DA Form 66-1 for officers and warrant officers; also, under "Remarks" in the Morning Report. (See AR 345-400)

(4) Wounds and injuries that jeopardize life or are likely to result in permanent, severe disability, such as blindness, extreme disfigurement, or the loss of one or more extremities, will be classified as either seriously wounded or injured.

8. CASUALTY REPORTS. All casualty reports will be submitted through channels under confidential classification.

a. Battle Casualties - An initial report will be submitted, by the most expeditious means available, on all battle casualties, by the Commanding Officer of the lowest unit concerned, to the Commanding Officer of the Group or separate Unit ONLY, including such information as is requested by the next higher headquarters. Upon receipt of initial report at Group or Separate Unit Headquarters

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Battle Casualty Report (First TACAF CAS Form 1) will be prepared in quadruplicate, and forwarded by the most expeditious mail or courier to the respective headquarters, as indicated on the BCR Forms (Appendix No. 1). Personnel reported on this form will be grouped by type of casualty in alphabetical order, without regard to rank. The Instruction Sheet attached to each pad of BCR Forms (Appendix 1) should be thoroughly understood by all personnel responsible for submission of BCR's (Battle Casualty Reports). Each BCR will be given a BCR Control Number by the preparing unit. These control numbers will run consecutively. Upon receipt of BCR's at Command Headquarters, a letter of transmittal will be initiated and BCR's will be forwarded under one daily shipment to CG, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, US Army. Attention: AG Casualty Section. Letters of transmittal will be numbered consecutively by control number as each letter of transmittal of BCR's is forwarded to this headquarters. It is the responsibility of Command Headquarters to regulate and control Group or Separate Unit BCR numbers, insuring that consecutive series is maintained at all times. BCR's will not be prepared on Missing in Action cases until seventy-two (72) hours minimum time has elapsed. The headquarters preparing the BCR on Killed in Action cases will also prepare a narrative report of all facts surrounding the casualty, including the cause thereof and attach it to the BCR, together with all statements of eye-witnesses, burial reports and/or other supporting evidence, for forwarding to this Headquarters. An indication should be made on the BCR to the effect that such a report is attached.

b. Non-Battle Casualties. First TACAF Casualty Form 2 (Appendix 2) will be used in reporting all non-battle casualties. This form will be produced locally and, when prepared, will be made in sufficient copies so as to reach this headquarters in duplicate. This report will be initiated by the lowest unit concerned and submitted through channels. Group or Separate Unit Headquarters will group all non-battle casualty reports in one daily shipment, numbering consecutively the letters of transmittal used and insuring that the non-battle casualty control numbers used on NBCR Forms are consecutive. When line of duty and misconduct status has been indicated as undetermined on NBCR (Appendix 2), and board of Officers has appointed, the Group or Separate Unit Headquarters will submit a Supplemental Report, giving the findings of Board of Officers as to Line of Duty, misconduct and duty status, to this headquarters by teletype as long as teletype facilities are available, and will carry full reference to the original NBCR.

c. Corrected Casualty. When evidence justifies a change in status from one category of battle casualty to another; i.e. "Wounded in Action" to "Duty" or "Missing in Action" to "Returned", Group or Separate Unit Headquarters will immediately notify Command Headquarters, by telephone, giving all available information concerning the change in status. At Command Headquarters the initial Status Change Report will be carefully checked with all available data and forwarded to this headquarters by most expeditious means available. When initial status change report has been submitted by Group or Separate Unit Headquarters to Command Headquarters, Group or Separate Unit Headquarters will immediately prepare and submit required Corrected Casualty Report on BCR Form (1st TAF Form No. 1, Appendix 1) in quadruplicate as indicated in instruction sheet of BCR Forms. Command Headquarters will check Corrected Battle Casualty Reports and group the Corrected BCR's of the respective Groups or Separate Units under their command into one daily shipment and forward this shipment to this headquarters

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by letter of transmittal, which will carry next consecutive number Command Headquarters' series for Battle Casualty Reports. Command Headquarters will be responsible for regulation and control of Group or Separate Unit Headquarters BCR Numbers, insuring that consecutive series is maintained at all times.

d. Reports on Civilian employees will be submitted in accordance with the instructions given above.

9. NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE AND RELEASE OF CASUALTY INFORMATION.

a. The original notification to the emergency addressees of all casualties occurring in this theater will be made by the Adjutant General, Washington, D. C., except when the emergency addressee or next-of-kin resides in this theater, in which case such notification will be made by the Theater Commander. When the emergency addressee or next-of-kin resides in this theater, such person's name, address and relationship to the casualty will be indicated on the casualty report.

b. Inquiries from relatives and friends received by unit commanders and chaplains for detailed information concerning individual casualties, will be replied to by individual letter prepared by the unit commander or chaplain concerned. The letter will be forwarded to this headquarters (Attention: AG Casualty Section) in quadruplicate, through casualty report channels, accompanied by a franked envelope addressed to the addressee. A true copy of the letter requesting such information will accompany the reply to this headquarters.

(1) The letter should be informative and complete, and should include details surrounding the casualty and information of a personal or sentimental nature which may be of comfort to the addressee. Where applicable, a brief description of the type of mission the individual was on at the time of becoming a casualty will be incorporated in the letter, when such information will not violate security regulations. The letter will be written, insofar as practicable, in the same style and in the same good taste as a letter of condolence.

(2) The letter will be carefully checked at each casualty report channel headquarters through which it passes for accuracy as to name, grade, serial number, and type of casualty and for violation of security regulations.

10. LETTERS OF CONDOLENCE. a. In every case of death, an appropriate letter of condolence will be written immediately to the emergency addressee or the next-of-kin. Commanders are responsible that such letters are written, but may designate either unit personnel or chaplains to prepare them. An effective control will be established at each administrative echelon through which casualty reports channel, to insure that a letter of condolence is written in every case of death.

b. Insofar as practicable, letters of condolence will contain:

(1) Information relative to the circumstances surrounding the death, including:

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(a) Specific cause and place (only general locality to be given when specific locality would violate Security).

(b) Grave location. Only the general locality and country, such as "Normandy, France", will be furnished when burial is in a temporary grave (battlefield burial). When burial is in a military cemetery established for the duration of the war, it may be identified by name and location.

(c) Information about the burial service. In this connection, it will always be assumed that a chaplain of the deceased's faith officiated at the burial, and after ascertaining the individual's religious preference from his service record or Qualification Card, it will be stated in substance, that a Catholic (Jewish, Protestant) chaplain so officiated. It is important that the correct faith be specifically mentioned, except when the deceased's records show his religious preference as "none" or when such records are incomplete in this respect, in which case such statement will be appropriately modified.

(d) All other information of personal or sentimental nature which may be of comfort to the family. Where applicable a brief description of the type of mission the individual was on at the time of his becoming a casualty will be incorporated in the letter of condolence, when such information will not violate security regulations.

c. Letters of condolence will:

(1) Contain the same categorical description and date of casualty as does the official report (see Par 6, above).

(2) State the subject's full name and serial number.

(3) Be completely factual and accurate. However, no gruesome or distressing details will be given. Good taste and consideration of the addressee's feelings will be the guiding factors. Information regarding insurance, settlement of accounts, disposal of remains and effects, will not be included.

d. Where death is not the result of enemy action, for example, suicide, legal execution, homicide, or any circumstances where line of duty or misconduct is in question, the specific cause and place of death will be omitted if derogatory to the deceased or if it would add to the family's grief or anxiety. Whenever possible the letter will include a statement as to the work the deceased was performing prior to his death as his contribution toward winning the war, except that no specific statement that death occurred in line of duty will be included.

e. Letters of condolence pertaining to casualties other than deceased are not required, but may be written, and, where applicable, the provisions of subparagraphs a, b and c, above, will govern. In case of sickness or injury, care will be taken not to magnify the patient's condition and not to indicate that there is, or is not, the possibility of return to duty.

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f. Security and censorship regulations must be observed; however, the letter of condolence will contain no reference to such regulations. Information that cannot be given because of security regulations will be included in a wrapper indorsement on the letter of condolence, when forwarded to this headquarters. Photographs of graves and of funeral services may be furnished with letters of condolence, or at a later date, if not available when such letters are written, if internment is in a military cemetery established for the duration of the present war, and if such photographs in no way violate military security. Photographs of temporary graves (battlefield burials) and those in civilian cemeteries will not be released.

g. In order to insure that the letter of condolence does not precede the official War Department notification, it will be submitted, through casualty report channels, to this headquarters in quadruplicate, accompanied by a franked official envelope addressed to the addressee.

11. CASUALTY MAIL. a. Undeliverable mail addressed to personnel who become casualties in this theater will be indorsed, as indicated below, by the personnel officer or, in exceptional cases, by another officer designated by the unit commander to certify the status of the addressee, and returned to the APO serving the unit for disposition (Sec II, Cir 12, ETOUSA 45). Particular care will be exercised by all concerned in the handling of casualty mail. Under no circumstances will casualty mail be permitted to be returned to the sender direct. At no time will personal mail be included with service records and allied papers being forwarded in accordance with paragraph 12, below.

(1) Mail addressed to casualties whose status is "killed in action" "accidentally killed", "Died in hospital" or "dead" will be indorsed "DECEASED".

(2) Mail addressed to casualties whose status is "missing", "missing in action" "Captured by the enemy" or "prisoner of war" will be indorsed "MISSING".

(3) Mail addressed to personnel who have been interned in neutral countries will be indorsed "INTERVED", followed by the country of internment, if known.

(4) Parcel mail will be indorsed with the additional entry "Return to sender without charge by authority of the Third Assistant Postmaster General".

b. All classes of mail to addressees who became casualties while outside the theater will be indorsed with the appropriate notation required by subparagraphs a (1) (2) and (3) above, and forwarded, under franked label, direct to Casualty Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, Washington 25, D.C.

c. Troops going into action will not be permitted to leave mail behind for future dispatch. Such mail may reach the addressee long after the official casualty notification has been sent, resulting in needless distress, anxiety and confusion to the next-of-kin, and causing general distrust of the army casualty reporting system.

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12. RECORDS. a. The records for deceased personnel will be forwarded immediately after death. In all other cases, the records will be forwarded within 20 days after the casualty has been reported. Every effort will be made to forward at the same time all records required to be forwarded. If the records are not available or any part of records is missing, a statement to that effect will be submitted.

b. Inventory of effects - "D AGO Form No. 54" - Duplicate copy to be submitted to this headquarters, through channels, in all cases of "KIA", "Death", "MIA", "Missing", "Interned" or "Captured" casualties. Substitute Inventory forms such as Annex "D", SOP 26, or similar forms suggested by effects Quartermaster, Hq. European TO USA, may be used when "D AGO Forms 54 are not available.

c. Qualification Card. (1) For Officers: (A) "D AGO Form No. 66-1.

(1) Under Section 31 "Remarks" will be entered all information available as to date, place (geographical location) and type of casualty. In all cases of death, the direct cause will be entered.

(2) In cases of Killed in Action or Deceased, Non-Battle, a notation as to type of casualty and date thereof will be entered under Section 15, "Record of Service".

(b) "D AGO Form 66-2 (1) Under Section 34 "Remarks" will be entered all information available as to date, place (geographical location), and type of casualty. In all cases of death, the direct cause will be entered.

(2) In cases of Killed in Action or Deceased, Non-Battle, a notation as to type of casualty and date thereof will be entered under Section 38 (Record of Service).

(c) "D AGO Form No. 20 - For Enlisted Men. Under Section 27, "Remarks" will be entered all available information as to date, place (geographical location) and type of casualty. In all cases of death, the direct cause will be entered.

d. Service Record - "D AGO Form No. 24" - (AR 345-125 must be strictly complied with in all cases.)

(1) Death - either battle or Non-battle. (a) Extreme care will be taken to insure that the Service Record is in proper order, indorsed to the Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. by Final Indorsement. APO numbers will be used, NOT geographical location.

(b) Entry must be made under "Remarks Financial" showing name, rank, and station of Finance Officer to whom Final Statement ("D AGO Form. No. 370, in triplicate) was submitted and the date on which it was submitted.

(c) Entry must be made under "Remarks Financial" listing all accrued pay and allowances due soldier at date of death.

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(2) "MIA" "Missing" "Captured" or "Interned". (a) Service Records of enlisted men will be properly indorsed to the Adjutant General, Washington, D. C. by next indorsement, from the unit concerned. APO numbers will be used, NOT geographical locations.

(b) Entry must be made under "Remarks Financial" listing all accrued pay and allowances due soldier on the date reported MIA or Missing.

(3) In all casualties of the category "KIA" "Deceased" "MIA" "Missing" "Captured" or "Interned" entries must be made under "Remarks Administrative" giving the date, place (geographical location) and type of casualty. In all cases of death, the direct cause will be stated. A notation of any enemy aircraft destroyed will be entered in this section.

(4) In all casualty cases which require forwarding of Service Records, "Participation in Sorties" will be recorded on WD AGO Form No. 24-3 (Insert to S/R) and attached to "Remarks Administrative" page of S/R.

d. Identification Card. (1) For officers - WD AGO Form 65-1

(2) For Enlisted Men - WD AGO Form 65-4 or ETO Card.

e. Report of Investigation - WD AGO Form No. 51 (When applicable) (1) In cases of non-battle death, pensions and payments of six months gratuity are held up pending the submission of this report, or a statement that death was in line of duty, not due to own misconduct, and does not require investigation. As allotments automatically terminate on death, dependents may be left without adequate means of support, therefore it should be impressed upon all concerned that these reports must be thorough, comprehensive, correct, properly and promptly submitted.

(2) Report of Investigation, in addition to furnishing line of duty status and misconduct status as determined by the investigation will include duty status, ie; was deceased in a duty status, or an authorized absence status (Leave pass or furlough).

(3) The original and three copies of the Report of Investigation will be forwarded, by the appointing authority to the AG Casualty Section of the Command Headquarters, where it will be edited for compliance with current directives and then passed to the Command Judge Advocate for review. After the Command JAG has rendered an opinion and the Report of Investigation has been approved the Command AG Casualty Section will forward the original and two copies of the Form 51, required certificates and supporting statements to CG, ETOUSA, Attention AG Casualty Division. Information copy of Report of Investigation will then be forwarded to this headquarters.

(4) Report of Investigation will be forwarded with the following documentary evidence attached: (See par. 18, AR 600-550)

(a) Certificate of a medical officer, properly authenticated as to cause of death (complete medical diagnosis).

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(b) Certificate of individual's organization commander as to duty status, that is, absent with leave, absent without leave or present for duty.

(c) Synopsis of all evidence considered in the investigation, statements of all witnesses will be sworn and subscribed to.

f. Missing Report. In cases of Missing and Missing in Action, not covered by a Missing Air Crew Report, a Missing Report (Appendix 6) will be prepared and forwarded with individual's personnel records (in triplicate) to this headquarters.

NOTE: All the records listed above will be submitted to this Headquarters at the same time. If any of the above required records are not available, a statement to that effect will be included in the letter of transmittal.

g. Do not submit extraneous documents and allied papers to this headquarters such as:

(1) Material which properly belongs in individual's 201 file. Such papers will be retained in organization's records.

(2) Records pertaining to Finance matters such as Flight Certificates and schedules which should be referred to disbursing officer concerned with paying personnel involved.

(3) Individual Equipment Records and Individual Clothing Equipment Records (D AGO Forms No. 32 & 33) which should be disposed of in accordance with par. 41 c, AR 345-125.

(4) Personnel Flight Records (AAF Form No. 5) should be disposed of in accordance with AAF Regulation No. 15-5.

13. DISPOSITION OF EFFECTS. The provisions of Standard Operating procedure No. 26, Hqs ETOUSA, 9 June 1944, will be followed by all units of the First TAF (Prov) in disposing of personal effects of individuals, officially reported dead, killed in action, missing in action, missing, evacuated, interned, or captured by the enemy.

14. MISSING AIR CREW REPORTS. a. The information supplied on the Missing Air Crew Report and supplemental statements are used as the basic source of information from which letters are written to the next of kin of each missing crew member. The more detailed these letters are the greater the comfort and relief of anxiety they give to the families who are interested in all known facts and circumstances. Moreover, the statistical data, including aircraft type, model series, and AAF Serial number, engine, and gun serial number are punched on IBM punch cards and filed so that at any time the wreckage of an aircraft is found, the missing crew members are readily identified with that aircraft.

b. The attached form (Appendix 4) has been designed to provide related information concerning personnel missing during flight, identifying marks on a missing aircraft, last known conditions at time of loss, and facts known by eye or other witnesses. A supply of these forms, accompanied by any instructions deemed necessary, will be reproduced locally and distributed to all Army Air Force organizations under the jurisdiction of your command.

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e. Effective upon receipt of a supply of these forms, an original and four copies of the report will be prepared for each case in which a crew member is missing from an aircraft. The report will be prepared within 48 hours following the official finding that an air crew member is missing from an aircraft. In case the aircraft is enroute to a station in an overseas theater, the commanding officer at the last station of departure will prepare the report.

d. The original and three copies of the report will be forwarded to this headquarters. The fourth copy will be retained by preparing organization.

c. It is of extreme importance that complete supporting statements of eyewitnesses and photographs, if available, accompany the original report. The names of the entire crew should be listed on the report whenever any member of a crew is reported missing. The letters to the next of kin give the names of all crew members as soon as this information can safely be given. Likewise, the information should be given if certain of the crew members return to duty prior to the submission of the report. Any additional information which becomes available subsequent to submission of the original report will be forwarded in the same manner as described in the preceding paragraph. It will not be necessary to use the form for any but the original report. The letter transmitting the additional data should, however, refer to the identification of the organization, aircraft, and pilot involved, in order that reference can be made to the files for the particular case.

f. Particular attention is directed to the necessity for completing parts of the report which serve to indicate the location of the aircraft when last seen or heard from, and markings which will enable identification, should wreckage be found. It is particularly stressed that all known information, even though not asked for on the inclosed form, should be attached to the original report or forwarded as soon as it becomes available. Information concerning nature and extent of damage to the plane when last seen, the presence of fire, and approximate altitude should be included if available. If the aircraft was seen to crash in water (ditched) supporting statements should include the distance from the nearest land.

g. In the event certain members of the crew are missing, but the aircraft returns to its base, or if an aircraft is definitely known to have crashed at sea, it is not necessary to answer questions 7 and 8, which ask for the serial numbers of the engines and guns.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Appendix Number one will be removed from First Tactical Air Force Memorandum No. 35-1, dated 6 January, 1945, and inserted in this revised issue.

Appendix Number one is revised to include the "Race Code" after each casualty's name. The race code is as follows:

- (1) White
- (2) Negro
- (3) Chinese
- (4) Japanese
- (5) Hawaiian
- (6) American Indian
- (7) Filipino
- (8) Puerto Rican
- (9) Others.

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NON BATTLE CASUALTY REPORT

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV) AFO 374, U.S. ARMY.
ATTENTION: AG CASUALTY SECTION.

REPORT NO. _____

Hq. _____

AFO _____

Date _____

All items must be completed. If inapplicable, so state.

1. _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial) (ASN) (Grade) (Arm or Service)
2. UNIT _____
3. CASUALTY STATUS _____
Death Missing Interned
(Cross out inapplicable words)
4. DATE OF CASUALTY _____
5. PLACE OF CASUALTY (GIVE TOWN AND COUNTRY) _____
6. DEATH CASES ONLY:
Check applicable line
____ In line of duty, investigation not required.
____ Line of duty and misconduct to be determined by investigation.
____ Report of Investigation under provisions of AR 600-550 will be
forwarded approximately _____ (date)
7. ADDITIONAL PAY QUALIFICATION (SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR CODE) _____
8. REMARKS (Include cause and brief statement of circumstances in reporting
death; brief statement of circumstances in case of missing or
interned)

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

(Signature) (None typed)

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INFORMATION INCLUDED ON FIRST TAF CASUALTY FORM 2

Pilot, Copilot and Command Pilot	A
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Bombardier	C
Observer	D
Flight Surgeon	E
Photographer	F
Radio Operator gunner	G
Engineer gunner	H
Armorer gunner	I
Parachutist on jump status	J
Gunner	K
All other AF personnel in flying status	L
Bombardier	M
Flight or aerial engineer	N
Central fire control gunner	O
Navigator bombardier Radar	P
Power plant specialist gunner	Q
Electric plant specialist gunner	R
Radar mechanic gunner	S
Photo gunner	T
Expert infantryman	U
Combat infantryman	V
All air force personnel not in flying status	Z
Glider status symbol	W
Air observation pilot with ground forces	A
Enlisted Liaison pilot mechanic	A
Forward observer (Air) Artillery	D

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in quadruplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name _____: Command or Air Force _____
Group _____: Squadron _____: Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure _____: Course _____
Target or Intended Destination _____: Type of Mission _____
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
4. GIVE: (a) Day _____ Month _____ Year _____: Time _____: and Location _____
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was last sighted () ; last contacted by radio () ; forced down () ; seen to crash () ; or information not available () .
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check only one) Enemy aircraft () ; Enemy anti-aircraft () ; Other circumstances as follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series _____: AF Serial No. _____
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any _____
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____: AF Serial No. (a) _____
(b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
9. INSTALLED EQUIPMENT (Furnish below: No., Type and Serial Number:)
(a) _____; (b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
(e) _____; (f) _____; (g) _____; (h) _____
(i) _____; (j) _____; (k) _____; (l) _____
(m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty _____
or (b) Non-Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew _____; Passengers _____: Total _____
(Starting with pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11 persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet and attach original to this form.)

Crew Position	Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
1. Pilot				
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12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWN EVIDENCE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)		Rank	Serial Number	Contacted		Saw		Saw	
				by	last	by	last	by	last
				Radio	Sighted	Crash	Crash	Crash	Crash
1.	_____								
2.	_____								
3.	_____								

13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, LIST YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) any other reason (specify) _____

14. ATTACH SERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.

15. ATTACH EYE WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT.

Date of Report _____

(Signature of Preparing Officer)

17. REMARKS OR EYE WITNESS STATEMENTS:

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MISSING REPORT

To accompany WD AGO Forms 66-1 or 24 of Missing or Missing in Action personnel. (other than those covered by Missing Air Crew Report)

NAME _____ ASN _____ GRADE _____ Arm or Service _____

ORG _____ APO _____ Date Reported MIA _____

MISSION _____

POINT OF DEPARTURE _____ DATE _____

INTENDED DESTINATION _____

LAST KNOWN WHEREABOUTS _____

BRIEF RESUME OF CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING DISAPPEARANCE:

STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES, IF ANY: (attach additional sheets if necessary)

REMARKS: (Any information not covered above, including details and results of search, if any, conducted).

Date of Report _____

(Signature of preparing officer)

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31 January 1945

MEMORANDUM
NO. 35-1A

PERSONNEL, MILITARY

Battle and Non-Battle Casualty Reports
Missing Air Crew Reports

(Paragraph 8 c (3), Memorandum 35-1, this headquarters,
6 January 1945, is amended as follows:)

"The original and two copies of the Report of Investigation will be forwarded by the appointing authority, after his action has been noted on all copies, direct to the Commanding General, Iq European Theater of Operations USA, APO 887, U S Army (ATTN: AG Casualty Division), and an information copy forwarded this headquarters.

By command of Brigadier General SAVINIE:

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4 March 1945

MEMORANDUM)

NO. 35-1B)

PERSONNEL, MILITARY

Battle and Non-Battle Casualty Reports
Missing Air Crew Reports

(Paragraph 10, Memorandum 35-1, this headquarters, 6 January 1945, is rescinded and the following substituted therefore:)

"10. MISSING AIR CREW REPORTS.

a. The information supplied on the Missing Air Crew Report and supplemental statements are used as the basic source of information from which letters are written to the next of kin of each missing crew member. The more detailed these letters are the greater the comfort and relief of anxiety they give to the families who are interested in all known facts and circumstances. Moreover, the statistical data, including aircraft type, model, series, and AAF serial number, engine, and gun serial number are punched on IBM punch cards and filed so that at any time the wreckage of an aircraft is found, the missing crew members are readily identified with that aircraft.

b. The inclosed form, a revised "Missing Air Crew Report", has been designed to provide related information concerning personnel missing during flight, identifying marks on a missing aircraft, last known conditions at time of loss, and facts known by eye or other witnesses. A supply of these forms, accompanied by any instructions deemed necessary, will be reproduced locally and distributed to all Army Air Forces organizations under the jurisdiction of your command.

c. Effective upon receipt of a supply of these forms, an original and four copies of the report will be prepared for each case in which a crew member is missing from an aircraft. The report will be prepared within 48 hours following the official finding that an air crew member is missing from an aircraft. In case the aircraft is enroute to a station in an overseas theater, the commanding officer at the last station of departure will prepare the report.

d. The original, first, second and third copies of the report will be forwarded immediately following preparation, to this headquarters. The fourth copy will be retained for the files of the preparing organization.

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e. It is of extreme importance that complete supporting statements of eyewitnesses and photographs, if available, accompany the original report. The names of the entire crew should be listed on the report whenever any member of a crew is reported missing. The letters to the next of kin give the names of all crew members as soon as this information can safely be given. Likewise, the information should be given if certain of the crew members return to duty prior to the submission of the report. Any additional information which becomes available subsequent to submission of the original report will be forwarded in the same manner as described in the preceding paragraph. It will not be necessary to use the form for any but the original report. The letter transmitting the additional data should, however, refer to the identification of the organization, aircraft, and pilot involved, in order that reference can be made to the files for the particular case.

f. Particular attention is directed to the necessity for completing parts of the report which serve to indicate the location of the aircraft when last seen or heard from, and markings which will enable identification should wreckage be found. It is particularly stressed that all known information, even though not asked for on the inclosed form, should be attached to the original report or forwarded as soon as it becomes available. Information concerning nature and extent of damage to the plane when last seen, the presence of fire and approximate altitude should be included if available. If the aircraft was seen to crash in water (ditched), supporting statements should indicate the distance from the nearest land.

g. In the event certain members of the crew are missing but the aircraft returns to its base, or if an aircraft is definitely known to have crashed at sea it is not necessary to answer questions seven (7) and eight (8) which ask for the serial numbers of the engines and guns."

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

1 Incl:
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Col, AC,
Chief of Staff.

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Lt Col, LCD,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

IMPORTANT: This report will be compiled in quintuplicate by each Army Air Forces organization within 48 hours of the time an air crew member is officially reported missing.

1. ORGANIZATION: Location, by Name _____: Command or Air Force _____
Group _____: Squadron _____: Detachment _____
2. SPECIFY: Place of Departure _____: Course _____
Target or Intended Destination _____: Type of Mission _____
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED: _____
4. GIVE: (a) Day _____ Month _____ Year _____: Time _____: and Location _____
of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether aircraft was 1st sighted (); Last contacted by
radio (); Forced down (); Seen to Crash (); or Information not
available ().
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: (Check
only one) Enemy Aircraft (); Enemy anti-aircraft (); Other Circumstances
as follows: _____
6. AIRCRAFT: Type, Model and Series _____: AAF Serial No. _____
7. NICKNAME OF AIRCRAFT, if any _____
8. ENGINES: Type, Model and Series _____: AAF Serial No. (a) _____
(b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
9. INSTALLED WEAPONS (Furnish below Make, Type and Serial Number:)
(a) _____; (b) _____; (c) _____; (d) _____
(e) _____; (f) _____; (g) _____; (h) _____
(i) _____; (j) _____; (k) _____; (l) _____
(m) _____; (n) _____; (o) _____; (p) _____
10. THE PERSONS LISTED BELOW WERE REPORTED AS: (a) Battle Casualty _____
or (b) Non Battle Casualty _____
11. NUMBER OF PERSONS ABOARD AIRCRAFT: Crew _____; Passengers _____: Total _____
(Starting with Pilot, furnish the following particulars: If more than 11
persons were aboard aircraft, list similar particulars on separate sheet
and attach original to this form.)

	Crew Position	Name in Full (last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Current Status
1.	Pilot				
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12. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SALE:

Check Only One Column

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted by Radio	Last Sighted	Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
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2. _____
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13. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used _____; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash _____; or (c) any other reason (specify) _____

14. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN OR HEARD FROM.

15. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

16. GIVE NAME, RANK AND SERIAL NUMBER OF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF SEARCH, IF ANY, INCLUDING DESCRIPTION AND EXTENT. _____

Date of Report _____

(Signature of Preparing Officer) _____

17. REMARKS OR EYEWITNESS STATEMENTS: _____

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MEMORANDUM
NO. 35-2)

23 January 1945

PERSONNEL MILITARY

APPOINTMENT OF FLIGHT OFFICERS AS SECOND LIEUTENANTS
IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 35-2, this Headquarters, dated 22 November 1944, and Memorandum 35-2A, this Headquarters, dated 4 December 1944).

1. GENERAL. The following procedure is established for submitting recommendations for the appointment of Flight Officers as Second Lieutenants in the Army of the United States. Reference is made to AR 610-50, dated 5 November 1942, as amended, and AR 605-10, dated 26 May 1944.

a. Group or separate organization commanders will maintain constant observation of all Flight Officers under their command with a view to recommending for appointment as Second Lieutenants in the Army of the United States those qualified therefor.

b. When in the opinion of a group or separate organization commander, after adequate observation, a Flight Officer is qualified for appointment as Second Lieutenant, such commander will initiate a recommendation that the Flight Officer be commissioned as a second Lieutenant in the Army of the United States.

c. Commanders initiating recommendations and commanders through whom recommendations pass for approval will be responsible that selections have been made in a fair and uniform manner throughout their respective commands.

d. Recommendations for appointment of Flight Officers as Second Lieutenants in the Army of the United States will be forwarded through channels to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. RECOMMENDATIONS. a. Each recommendation for the appointment of Flight officer as Second Lieutenant in the Army of the United States will include the following:

- (1) Date of enlistment or induction.
- (2) Date of appointment as Flight Officer.
- (3) Army General Classification Test Score (If available).
- (4) Statement as to character of Flight Officer being recommended.
- (5) Statement that Flight Officer does or does not participate in actual combat.

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(6) Statement that:

- (a) He has carefully considered the application and is satisfied that the applicant possesses such qualities of leadership, integrity and professional ability that make him desirable as a commissioned officer in the Army Air Forces.
- (b) A position vacancy exists according to an approved Table of Organization or Manning Table. (Number of T/O or Manning Table and date in which vacancy exists, will be shown.)
- (c) The Flight Officer possesses necessary qualifications to perform the duties of the position for which vacancy exists.

b. Each recommendation submitted will have attached as inclosures the following:

- (1) WD AGO Form No. 6850 (triplicate).
- (2) WD AGO Form No. 64, signed by three (3) Medical Officers (triplicate).
- (3) Three (3) letters of recommendation (triplicate).
- (4) Copies of personnel orders rating subject Flight Officer aeronautically and placing him on flying status (triplicate).
- (5) Approved examining board proceedings (To be held at Command or Wing level) (triplicate).

3. Each forwarding indorsement will indicate the following:

- a. Approval or disapproval. If disapproved, reason for disapproval.
- b. That no commissioned officer is available within the command for transfer and assignment to the position for which the vacancy exists.

4. Intermediate headquarters will check each recommendation carefully before taking action and forwarding it to this headquarters.

5. No recommendation will be forwarded this headquarters that has been disapproved by the Examining Board of Officers.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel AGO
Adjutant General

RUSSELL L. RUTAN
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Chief of Staff

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MEMORANDUM)

25 November 1944

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PERSONNEL, MILITARY

Promotion of Officers in the AUS

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SECTION I

General Policy

1. Promotion of Officers in First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be made in accordance with the provisions of AR 605-12, dated 3 February 1944, and Changes 1 thereto, and Circular 90, Headquarters, European T of Opns, dated 17 August 1944.

2. Except for combat selections, promotions up to and including Lieutenant Colonel, will be announced in special orders by United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe on the 1st and 16th of each month. Promotion of officers selected for outstanding performance in combat are announced at any time papers have been processed by Headquarters United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

SECTION II

Processing of Recommendations

1. a. Recommendations up to and including the grade of Lieutenant Colonel, for all units attached to this Air Force, will be prepared on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-1, dated 25 November 1944 (see inclosure) and will be forwarded through command channels to reach this headquarters in duplicate. Recommendations will be accompanied by a copy of the latest promotion order, or, in the case of officers who have not been promoted since entering upon active duty, a copy of active duty orders. In case no orders are available, a certificate by the officer concerned giving date of last promotion, or entrance on active duty will be inclosed. A certificate by the officer initiating the recommendation for promotion will be inclosed to the effect that the 201-file of this officer (does - does not) contain any record of reclassification proceedings having been instituted in his case; (does - does not) contain any record of courts-martial proceedings having been instituted; that he is not undergoing any investigation which may result in disciplinary action; and that personal observation and inquiry lead to the belief that such records (do - do not) exist elsewhere.

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b. Recommendations for promotion to Colonel will be submitted to reach this headquarters in quintuplicate on Form C-1, inclosed, through command channels. Each such recommendation will include in addition to the above a brief history of the Officer's military and civilian background, signed by the initiating officer.

2. "Manner of performance rating" for period immediately prior to recommendation, will be written in ink and initialed by the Commanding Officer, on all recommendations for promotion submitted to this headquarters.

3. All forwarding indorsements will be accomplished on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-2, the first of which will be signed by the appropriate Commanding Officer. Succeeding indorsements may be signed by an appropriate staff officer.

4. All inclosures will be listed on the recommendation. (First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-1).

5. Care will be taken to insure that the name, serial number, branch of service and date of last promotion or entry on active duty on the recommendation agree with the promotion orders or active duty orders attached thereto. All recommendations for promotion will be returned without action where any discrepancies are found in form. Any headquarters disapproving a recommendation for promotion will not forward it to this headquarters but will return it, through channels, to the originator.

6. Commanders initiating recommendations and all intermediate commanders will be responsible for checking Tables of Organization vacancies before forwarding recommendations.

7. Waivers of time in grade or time in a position vacancy for outstanding performance of duty in combat under the provisions of paragraph 5d, AR 605-12, as amended, will be requested in an additional paragraph on the recommendation form and on each indorsement. Such request will clearly set forth the facts and circumstances which warrant the exception. Paragraph 1 f of the recommendation form, which states that an officer does or does not participate in combat, is for record only, and does not constitute a request for waiver of promotion requirements.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Lt Col., Air Corps
Chief of Staff

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(Address)

(Date)

SUBJECT: Promotion of Officer.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
APO 370, U.S. Army.

1. Under provisions of DA 605-12, as amended, it is recommended that the named officer be promoted as indicated:

a. (First Name) (Initial) (Last Name) (ASN)

b. (Age) (Branch) (Component)

c. (Grade) (Date of order)

d. (Grade to which recommended)

e. (Inclusive dates of overseas service in present grade)

f. Officer (does)(does not) participate in actual combat.

g. Unit organized under T/O Number dated

2. Including time and a half for overseas service, this officer has held his present grade for months. He has demonstrated his fitness for the responsibilities and duties of the position and grade for which he is recommended for a period of months by actual occupation of a position and performance of duties appropriate to that grade and corresponding to the duties of the position he is to occupy. His service in his present grade is recorded as:

(Start with present position)

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3. ~~Immediate~~ merit of this officer has been considered to the best of my knowledge and belief he is the best fitted officer available in this command for the grade and position for which promotion is recommended.

4. position vacancies exist in the recommended grade after considering requisitions not acted upon and the promotion of all other officers previously recommended on whose recommendations final action has not been taken. The approved tables of organization or allotment under which the vacancy exists is . (Include specific allotment to which applicable, i.e. JM, BI, etc.)

5. No officer in the grade of either Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel of the appropriate arm or service on the strength report of this command, in pools or other assignments, is surplus in this command or otherwise available for assignment to the position for which promotion is recommended. (Delete if not applicable.)

6. *

(Signature)

(Typed Name)

Grade & Branch

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* For exceptions or additional information.

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2. A position vacancy exists in accordance with approved Tables of Organization or allotment for this unit, and the filling of such vacancy by the promotion of this officer, together with all previous recommendations and requisitions not acted upon, will not operate to exceed the number of position vacancies that are authorized to be filled by promotion.

3. An officer in the grade of Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel of the appropriate arm or service on the strength report of this command, in pools or other assignments, is not surplus in this command or otherwise available for assignment to the position for which promotion is recommended. *(Delete if not applicable)

4. 201-File of this officer (does - does not) contain any record of reclassification proceedings having been instituted in his case. It (does - does not) contain any record of courts-martial proceedings having been instituted in his case.

*Applies to Colonels and Lieutenant Colonels. Delete if not applicable.

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First TACAF Form C-2, 25 Nov 44.

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MEMORANDUM
NO. 35-3)

22 January 1945

PERSONNEL, MILITARY

Promotion of Officers in the AUC

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 35-3, this Headquarters, dated 25 November 1944).

SECTION I General Policy
SECTION II Processing

SECTION I

General Policy

1. Promotion of officers in First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be made in accordance with the provisions of AR 605-12, dated 3 February 1944, Changes 1 thereto, Circular 90, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, dated 17 August 1944, and letter, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, file AG 210.2 HPGA, subject: "Promotion of Second Lieutenants," dated 16 December 1944.

2. Except for combat selections, promotions up to and including Lieutenant Colonel, will be announced in special orders by United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe on the 1st and 16th of each month. Promotion of officers selected for outstanding performance in combat are announced at any time papers have been processed by Headquarters, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

SECTION II

Processing of Recommendations

1. a. Recommendations up to and including the grade of Lieutenant Colonel, for all units assigned or attached to this Air Force, will be prepared on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-1, copy attached as Appendix "A", if submitted under provisions of AR 605-12, Changes 1 thereto and Circular 90, Headquarters, European T of Opns, US Army, dated 17 August 1944; and on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-3, copy attached as Appendix "C", if submitted under provisions of letter, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, file AG 210.2 HPGA, subject: "Promotion of Second Lieutenants," dated 16 December 1944. Forms will be forwarded through command channels to reach this headquarters in duplicate. Recommendations will be accompanied by a copy of the latest promotion order, or, in the case of officers who have not been promoted since entering upon active duty, a copy of active duty orders. In case no orders are available, a certificate by the officer concerned, giving date of last promotion, or entrance on active duty will be inclosed. A certificate by the officer initiating the recom-

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recommendation for promotion will be inclosed to the effect that the 201-file of this officer (does - does not) contain any record of reclassification proceedings having been instituted in his case; (does - does not) contain any record of courts-martial proceedings having been instituted, that he (is - is not) undergoing any investigation which may result in disciplinary action; and that personal observation and inquiry lead to the belief that such records (do - do not) exist elsewhere.

b. Recommendations for promotion to Colonel will be submitted to reach this headquarters in quadruplicate on Form C-1, inclosed, through command channels. Each such recommendation will include in addition to the above a brief history of the officer's military and civilian background, signed by the initiating officer.

3. "Manner of performance rating" for period immediately prior to recommendation, will be written in ink and initialed by the Commanding Officer, on all recommendations for promotion submitted to this headquarters.

3. All forwarding indorsements will be accomplished on First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-2 or Form C-4, (copies attached as Appendix "B" and "D") whichever is applicable, the first of which will be signed by the appropriate Commanding Officer. Succeeding indorsements may be signed by an appropriate staff officer.

4. All inclosures will be listed on the recommendation. (First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Form C-1 or Form C-3.)

5. Care will be taken to insure that the name, serial number, branch of service and date of last promotion or entry on active duty on the recommendation agree with the promotion orders or active duty orders attached thereto. All recommendations for promotion will be returned without action where any discrepancies are found in form. Any headquarters disapproving a recommendation for promotion will not forward it to this headquarters but will return it, through channels, to the originator.

6. Commanders initiating recommendations and all intermediate commanders will be responsible for checking Tables of Organization vacancies before forwarding recommendations.

7. Waivers of time in grade or time in a position vacancy for outstanding performance of duty in combat under the provisions of paragraph 5d, AP 305-12, as amended, will be requested in an additional paragraph on the recommendation form and on each indorsement. Such request will clearly set forth the facts

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and circumstances which warrant the exception. Paragraph 1 f of the recommendation form, which states that an officer does or does not participate in combat, is for record only, and does not constitute a request for waiver of promotion requirements.

By command of Major General ROICE:

MUSSELL L. FURMAN
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

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T. J. BROWN
Colonel, AGC,
Adjutant General

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(Address)

(Date)

SUBJECT: Promotion of Officer.

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, U.S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of AR 605-12, as amended, it is recommended that the named officer be promoted as indicated:

- a. (First name) (Initial) (Last name) (ASN)
- b. (AGE) (Branch) (Component)
- c. (Grade held) (Date of order)
- d. (Grade to which recommended)
- e. (Inclusive dates of overseas service in present grade)
- f. Officer (does) (does not) participate in actual combat.
- g. Unit organized under T/O Number _____ dated _____.

2. Including time and a half for overseas service, this officer has held his present grade for _____ months. He has clearly demonstrated his fitness for the responsibilities and duties of the position and grade for which he is recommended for a period of _____ months by actual occupation of a position and performance of duties appropriate to that grade and corresponding to the duties of the position he is to occupy. His service in his present grade is recorded as:

(Start with present position)

POSITION OCCUPIED	PLACE OR UNIT	INCLUSIVE DATES	QUALITY OF PERFORMANCE
a. _____			
b. _____			
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3. The relative rank of this officer has been considered and to the best of my knowledge and belief he is the best fitted officer available in this command for the grade and position for which promotion is recommended.

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4. _____ position vacancies exist in the recommended grade after considering requisitions not acted upon and the promotion of all other officers previously recommended on whose recommendations final action has not been taken. The approved tables of organization or allotment under which the vacancy exists is _____. (Include specific allotment to which chargeable; i.e., II, BI, etc.)

5. No officer in the grade of either Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel of the appropriate arm or service on the strength report of this command, in pools or other assignments, is surplus in this command or otherwise available for assignment to the position for which promotion is recommended. (Delete if not applicable.)

6. *

(Signature)

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2. A position vacancy exists in accordance with approved Tables of Organization or Allotment for this unit, and the filling of such vacancy by the promotion of this officer, together with all previous recommendations and requisitions not acted upon, will not operate to exceed the number of position vacancies that are authorized to be filled by promotion.

3. An officer in the grade of Colonel or Lieutenant Colonel of the appropriate arm or service on the strength report of this command, in pools or other assignments, is not surplus in this command or otherwise available for assignment to the position for which promotion is recommended. *(Delete if not applicable.)

4. The 201-file of this officer (does - does not) contain any record of reclassification proceedings having been instituted in his case, and (does - does not) contain any record of courts-martial proceedings having been instituted. Subject officer (is - is not) undergoing any investigation which may result in disciplinary action, and personal observation and inquiry lead to the belief that such records (do - do not) exist elsewhere.

* Applies to Colonels and Lieutenant Colonels. Delete if not applicable.

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SUBJECT: Promotion of Officer.

(Date)

TO : Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov),
AFO 374, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Par 4d(4), AR 605-12, as amended, it is recommended that the named officer be promoted as indicated:

- a. (First name) (Initial) (Last name) (ASN)
b. (Age) (Branch) (Component)
c. (Grade held) (Date of order)
d. (Grade to which recommended)
e. (Inclusive dates of overseas service in present grade)
f. Officer (does) (does not) participate in actual combat.
g. Unit organized under T/O Number dated

2. Including time and a half for overseas service, this officer has held his present grade for months. He has clearly demonstrated his fitness for the responsibilities and duties of the position and grade for which recommended for a period of months by performance of duties corresponding to the duties of the position he is to occupy. His service in his present grade is recorded as follows:

(Start with present position)

POSITION OCCUPIED	PLACE OR UNIT	INCLUSIVE DATES	NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES
a.			
b.			

3. The relative rank of this officer has been considered and to the best of my knowledge and belief he is the best fitted officer available in this command for the grade and position for which promotion is recommended.

4. *

(Signature)

(Typed name)

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* For exceptions or additional information.

(Grade & Branch)

*(Commanding) (C of S Sec)

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TO:

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2. The 201-file of this officer (does - does not) contain any record of reclassification proceedings having been instituted in his case, and (does - does not) contain any record of courts-martial proceedings having been instituted. Subject officer (is - is not) undergoing any investigation which may result in disciplinary action, and personal observation and inquiry lead to the belief that such records (do - do not) exist elsewhere.

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MEMORANDUM)

22 January 1945.

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PERSONNEL MILITARY

REQUISITIONS FOR PERSONNEL

(This Memorandum supersedes all verbal or written instructions covering this subject and, particularly, letter, this Headquarters, to Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, file AG 200.3, subject: "Procedure For Requisitioning of Personnel," dated 12 December 1944.)

1. a. All Air Force units assigned or attached to this Air Force, or any subordinate command thereof, will submit to this Headquarters, through channels, requisitions for all personnel, other than combat crew personnel, and exceptions in paragraph 4 below.

b. All non-Air Force units attached or assigned to this Air Force, or any subordinate command thereof, will forward requisitions for personnel direct to the Commanding General, Ground Force Replacement System, European T of Opns US Army, in accordance with letter, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, file AG 200.3 RCM, subject: "Requisitions for Personnel," dated 20 June 1944; and will forward an information copy of such requisitions to this Headquarters.

2. Unit requisitions will be prepared on "D AGO Form 211," and will show T/O or other authorized strength, actual strength, and unit shortages of Officers, Warrant Officers and enlisted men or women, as of the date indicated (difference between actual and authorized strength.) Each new requisition will automatically cancel all previous requisitions. "D AGO Form 211, information copy attached, will be reproduced locally.

a. Requisitions for officers and enlisted men or women will show the number by grade and MOS, based on AF Manual No. 35-1, 3 April 1944. Whenever the MOS of personnel requisitioned is not sufficient to describe the particular specialty desired, or the type of equipment with which the personnel should be familiar, appropriate notation should be made on Form 211.

b. The number of replacements requisitioned in any occupational specialty will not exceed the existing shortage in that specialty, based on the approved Reporting Guides for the unit or organization concerned.

c. Overstrength will not be requisitioned unless such overstrength is specifically authorized by the War Department, by Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, or by Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe. The authority will be cited in requisitioning overstrength.

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d. Requisitions for personnel will bear the following statements:

- (1) This requisition supersedes and cancels all previous requisitions.
- (2) Billets are available to accommodate the personnel requisitioned.

e. Each requisition will be serially numbered by the unit, beginning with No. 1.

3. At each higher echelon of command, present overages in MOS's will be re-assigned to fill the requisition. Indication of action taken will be entered on the requisition.

4. Requisitions for rotational personnel will be submitted in accordance with such procedure as is authorized in regulations covering rotation.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUES LL L. PUTMAN
Lt Col, AG
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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*Station }
(Designation and principal weapon)

Unit requisition No. Date Page 1 of pages.

Separate requisitions will be submitted for white and colored replacements. This is a $\begin{Bmatrix} \text{*white} \\ \text{*colored} \end{Bmatrix}$ unit.

To _____
(Designation and station of approving authority)

T/O No. _____

T/O strength _____

M/R strength _____

Required to bring to T/O strength _____

Previously requisitioned; not yet received _____

Requisition No. _____

Date _____

For the commanding officer:

(Name and grade)

Unit Personnel Officer.

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1. This unit requisition will be prepared in sufficient number of copies to permit retention of one at the requisitioning unit, one at intermediate headquarters (if desired), and two (original and duplicate) to the approving authority.
2. The principal arm or weapon of the requisitioning unit will be indicated on the same line with the title, i. e., "138th FA, 75-mm HD."
3. Replacements for attached troops are a responsibility of the headquarters to which attached.
4. Additional requisition sheets will be used as required, each to be numbered and identified as a part of the requisition to which they pertain.
5. Unit requisitions will not be forwarded by approving authority to army or similar headquarters. They will be consolidated at division, army corps (for corps troops only), or similar headquarters, and retained as a basis for distribution of replacements when received from the communications zone replacement depot.
6. Where delivery of replacements is desired outside the area of the division or similar unit, notation to that effect will be made on the forwarding consolidated requisition form and one copy of the unit requisition attached thereto as an enclosure.
7. When any part of a requisition previously submitted remains unfilled, that fact, together with requisition number and date, will be indicated in the space provided.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
AFC 374

MEMORANDUM

7 January 1945.

NO. 35-5)

PERSONNEL MILITARY

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

(Paragraph 1, letter this Headquarters, file 322.011,
subject: "Delegation of Authority," dated 9 November
1944, is rescinded.)

SECTION I - - - - - Eligibility for and authority to Award Decorations.
SECTION II - - - - - Recommendations.
SECTION III - - - - - Campaign and Service Medals.
SECTION IV - - - - - Foreign Awards.
SECTION V - - - - - Battle Streamers and Unit Citations.

SECTION I

Eligibility for and authority to Award Decorations

1. Decorations are awarded in recognition of and as a reward for extraordinary unusual or outstanding acts or service. The prompt recognition of heroism or meritorious achievement in time of war is a most important factor toward building and maintaining morale. Such recognition is the responsibility of every commander who is also charged with obtaining without delay the necessary evidence to substantiate the recommendation for an award. The following guide concerning recommendation for awards and decorations for United States Army Air Force personnel within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will govern the submission of such recommendations from this date and is published for the information of all concerned.

a. The Congressional Medal of Honor is awarded in the name of the Congress to each person who, while an officer, noncommissioned officer, or private of the Army, in action involving actual conflict with an enemy, distinguishes himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty.

"In order to justify an award of the Medal of Honor, the individual must perform in action a deed of personal bravery or self-sacrifice above and beyond the call of duty, so conspicuous as clearly to distinguish him for gallantry and intrepidity above his comrades, involving the risk of life or the performance of more than ordinarily hazardous service, the omission of which would not justly subject him to censure as for shortcoming or failure in the performance of his duty. The recommendations for the decoration will be judged by this standard of extraordinary merit, and incontestable proof of the performance of the service will be exacted." (AR 600-45.) It will be awarded by the War Department through Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

b. The Distinguished-Service Cross is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, distinguish themselves by extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy.

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"To warrant an award of the Distinguished-Service Cross, a person must perform an act or acts of heroism so notable and involving a risk of life so extraordinary as to set him apart from his comrades." (AR 600-45.) It may be awarded by the Commanding General, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

c. The Distinguished-Service Medal "is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service to the Government in a duty of great responsibility.

- "(1) The term 'duty of great responsibility' means duty of such character that exceptionally meritorious service therein has contributed in high degree to the success of a major command, installation, or project.
- "(2) The performance of the duty must be such as to merit recognition by the service as clearly exceptional. A superior performance of the normal duties of a position will not alone justify the award.
- "(3) The accomplishment of the duty for which the award is recommended should have been completed, or it should have progressed to an exceptional degree if the person rendering the service has been transferred to other duties prior to its full accomplishment.

"The Distinguished-Service Medal will be awarded to personnel of foreign nations only under exceptional circumstances." (AR 600-45.) It will be awarded by the War Department through Headquarters, European T of Opns, US Army.

d. The Legion of Merit (Section IV, D Circular 131, 1943.)

- (1) The Legion of Merit may be awarded to personnel of the armed forces of the United States who, since 8 September 1939, shall have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. It may be awarded for service over a period of time or in the performance of continuing duty, marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the usual, or a particular achievement of special note or importance. The recipient must have rendered services so outstanding as to clearly distinguish him above men of like grade or experience. The accomplishment of the service for which the award is recommended should have been completed or it should have progressed to an exceptional degree if the person rendering the service has been transferred to other duties prior to its full accomplishment. Awards will be made as "The Legion of Merit" without reference to degree and the decoration authorized for the Degree of Legionnaire will be used for this purpose. It may be awarded to United States Army personnel by Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

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- (2) The Legion of Merit, in four (4) degrees, is established for award to personnel of the armed forces of friendly foreign nations who, since 8 September 1939, shall have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. The degrees are: Chief Commander, Commander, Officer and Legionnaire. The Legion of Merit is awarded to members of the armed forces of friendly foreign nations by the War Department through Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.
- (3) Civilians are not eligible for award of The Legion of Merit.
- (4) All recommendations for the award of The Legion of Merit will be forwarded to this Headquarters. Recommendations will contain a complete description of the service rendered in such detail that this Headquarters may determine whether the performance was of sufficient character to meet the requirements of responsibility and merit. A statement to the effect that the individual concerned has performed the duties of his office in an exceptionally meritorious manner is not in itself sufficient to justify the award. Emphasis should be placed on the data supporting a recommendation and not on the preparation of a citation.

e. The Silver Star "is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, distinguish themselves by gallantry in action not warranting the award of a Medal of Honor or Distinguished-Service Cross.

"Those individuals who, prior to 7 December 1941, have been cited for gallantry in action in orders issued by the headquarters of a force commanded by a general officer, which citations do not warrant the award of the Medal of Honor or Distinguished-Service Cross, may make application for the Silver Star Medal to The Adjutant General, "D AGO Form No. 0714 (Application for Service Medal), being used for this purpose." (AR 600-45.) All recommendations for the award of the Silver Star Decoration and Oak Leaf Clusters thereto will be forwarded to this Headquarters for necessary action.

f. The Distinguished-Flying Cross "is awarded to members of military, naval, and Air Forces who, while serving in any capacity with the Army Air Forces, distinguish themselves by heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight.

"In order to justify an award of The Distinguished-Flying Cross for heroism, the heroism must be evidenced by voluntary action in the face of great danger above and beyond the line of duty while participating in aerial flight.

"To warrant an award of the Distinguished-Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight, the results accomplished must be so exceptional and outstanding as clearly to set him apart from his comrades who have not been so recognized." (AR 600-45.)

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Consideration will be given to recommendations for the award of the Distinguished-Flying Cross to personnel who have completed operational tours, but it is not anticipated that all such recommendations will meet with approval unless the record of accomplishment during the operational tour has been of such an exceptional and outstanding character as to be termed an extraordinary achievement.

All recommendations for the award of the Distinguished-Flying Cross and Oak Leaf Clusters thereto will be forwarded to this Headquarters for necessary action.

g. The Soldier's Medal "is awarded to members of military, naval, or air forces who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, distinguish themselves by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy,

"The Soldier's Medal may be awarded to an individual for the performance of an act or acts of heroism involving voluntary risk of life under conditions other than those of conflict with an enemy." (AR 600-45.) Authority to award and present the Soldier's Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters thereto is delegated to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.

h. The Bronze Star Medal "is awarded to any person who, while serving in any capacity in or with the Army of the United States, on or after 7 December 1941, distinguished, or has distinguished himself by heroic or meritorious achievement or service not involving participation in aerial flight, in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States.

"The required achievement or service for award of the Bronze Star is less than that required for award of the Silver Star or the Legion of Merit, but must nevertheless be accomplished with distinction. The Bronze Star may be awarded to recognize minor acts of heroism in actual combat or single acts of merit, or meritorious service either in sustained operational activities against an enemy or in direct support of such operations." (AR 600-45) The authority to award and present the Bronze Star Medal is delegated to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.

i. The Air Medal "is awarded to persons who, while serving in any capacity in or with the Army, distinguish themselves by meritorious achievement while participating in an aerial flight.

"The required achievement to warrant award of the Air Medal is less than that for the Distinguished-Flying Cross, but must nevertheless be accomplished with distinction above and beyond that normally expected. The Air Medal may be awarded to recognize single actions of merit or sustained operational activities against the enemy." (AR 600-45.)

- (1) The Air Medal may be awarded in recognition of the confirmed destruction of one airborne enemy aircraft. In the case of night fighters, crew members may receive equal credit for the destruction of aircraft.
- (2) Favorable consideration for the award of The Air Medal to combat crew members of medium and light bombardment aircraft may be given upon the completion of five (5) sorties.

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- (3) Favorable consideration for the award of the Air Medal to combat crew members of fighter aircraft may be given upon the completion of ten (10) sorties of the following character:
- (a) Fighter sweep without external tanks.
 - (b) Escort mission without external tanks.
 - (c) Tactical reconnaissance or photographic reconnaissance mission of less than two (2) hours duration.
 - (d) Artillery adjustment mission.
 - (e) Fighter intercept mission when enemy aircraft are engaged or when flight is over enemy territory.
 - (f) Night patrol mission where enemy fire from aircraft or ground installations is probable or to be expected.
- (4) Favorable consideration for the award of The Air Medal to combat crew members of fighter aircraft may be given upon the completion of five (5) sorties of the following character:
- (a) Fighter-Bomber mission, either bombing or strafing.
 - (b) Escort mission using external tanks.
 - (c) Tactical reconnaissance or photographic reconnaissance mission over two hours duration.
 - (d) Night intruder sorties.
- (5) An appropriate combination of (1), (2), (3) and (4) is authorized.
- (6) All recommendations for the award of The Air Medal to Allied, Naval, or Marine personnel as well as to civilians will be submitted to this Headquarters for approval and will be based upon qualifications other than those set forth in (1) - (5) above.
- (7) A sortie is deemed to have taken place when an aircraft, ordered on a combat operational mission, and in the performance of that mission, enters an area where enemy anti-aircraft or ground fire may be effective, or where enemy fighter patrols occur, or is in any way subject to attack. Credit for a sortie will be given only when in the opinion of the group commander every effort for the success of the mission has been made.
- (8) Authority is delegated to award and present The Air Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters thereto to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.

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j. The Purple Heart may be awarded to members of the armed forces of the United States and to civilians who are citizens of the United States serving with the army who are wounded in action against any enemy of the United States, or as a direct act of such an enemy, provided such wound necessitates treatment by a medical officer. (For the purpose of awarding the Purple Heart, a wound is defined as an injury to any part of the body from an outside force, element or agent sustained as the result of an hostile act of the enemy or while in action in the face of the enemy.) One award (the Purple Heart for the first wound, and Oak Leaf Cluster thereafter) is authorized for each such wound, except that only one award is authorized for two or more wounds received at the same instant. (C4, AR 600-45.)

The Purple Heart will be awarded posthumously by the War Department to persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Army of the United States since 6 December 1941, are killed in action or who die as a direct result of wounds received in action with an enemy of the United States, or as a result of an act of such enemy. The Adjutant General will cause the Purple Heart and Purple Heart certificate to be sent to the next of kin of persons entitled to the posthumous award as nearly coincidental with the receipt of the report of death by the War Department as practicable and regardless of the fact that records may show that a previous award of this decoration has been made.

The award of the Purple Heart will be made as soon as practicable after admission to the hospital. The fact that such an award was made and the number of the decoration will be entered on the individual's emergency medical tag, or DD Form 52, to avoid duplication at other installations. Normally the citation will consist only of the phrase "For wounds received in action on (date) in (place) area." Authority is delegated to award and present the Purple Heart Decoration and Oak Leaf Clusters thereto to such officers as are enumerated in Circular 32, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

k. The Medal for Merit may be awarded only by the President of the United States or at his direction. Awards of the Medal for Merit may be made to such civilians of the nations prosecuting the war under the joint declaration of the United Nations and of other friendly foreign nations as have, since the proclamation of an emergency by the President on 8 September 1939, distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. Award of the Medal for Merit made to civilians of foreign nations shall be made for the performance of an exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. Award of the Medal for Merit made to civilians of foreign nations shall be made for the performance of an exceptionally meritorious or courageous act or acts in the furtherance of the war efforts of the United Nations and shall have the prior approval of the Secretary of State. It will be awarded by the War Department through Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

l. The Oak Leaf Cluster. No more than one Medal of Honor or one Distinguished Service Medal, or one Distinguished-Service Cross, or one Distinguished-Flying Cross, or one Silver Star or one Bronze Star Medal, or one Air Medal, or one Soldier's Medal, or one Purple Heart (except when awarded under provisions of Par 16b (2) AR 600-45), shall be issued to any one person. For each succeeding deed, act, or achievement sufficient to justify the award of either one of the above listed decorations, a bronze Oak Leaf Cluster will be awarded in lieu thereof. The Silver Oak Leaf Cluster will be awarded and worn in lieu of five bronze Oak Leaf Clusters. Oak Leaf Clusters will be awarded by any officer whose authority is equivalent to that required for making the first award to which the Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded in addition.

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m. The Good Conduct Medal. Awarded in accordance with authority contained in Executive Order No. 8809 (Bulletin 17, War Department 1941) as amended by Executive Order No. 9323 (Bulletin 6, War Department 1943). Reference AR 600-68, 4 May 1943, as amended.

n. Awards to British Subjects. Recommendations for awards to British Subjects will be submitted to Headquarters, European T of Cms US Army, through this Headquarters, for forwarding to the British Government through diplomatic channels for approval prior to award of the decoration. The only exception to the above will be in cases of immediate combat awards in the field, in which case concurrence of the local British commander prior to award of the decoration will be sufficient. Awards when presented to British Subjects will be promptly reported to Headquarters, European T of Cms US Army, in order that the Foreign Office may be notified.

o. Awards to Civilians. No award of any decoration, medal or ribbon will be made to any civilian in this theater, under any circumstances without express authority from the War Department. If any occasion arises in which an award is considered appropriate, supporting papers will be forwarded through channels to Headquarters, European T of Cms US Army. Awards of campaign medals are not authorized to civilians or to members of the armed forces of co-belligerent nations.

SECTION II

Recommendations

1. With regard to citations and recommendations for awards, it is requested that the following administrative details be observed:

a. For the purpose of maintaining uniformity in the preparation of recommendations for awards and in order that reviewing authorities may have a complete picture of the circumstances and facts upon which a recommendation is based and to insure that the act or deed is consistent with the requirements for the award recommended, the attached form (Incl 1) will be used for all recommendations forwarded to this Headquarters for necessary action.

b. Recommendations for awards and decorations will be executed individually for each person for whom recommendation is being made.

c. Recommendations will carry a certification of the event described by one or more eye-witnesses or a statement that the responsible officer has satisfied himself as to the truth of the statements made.

d. Recommendations for all awards and decorations submitted to this Headquarters for action, or for transmittal to higher headquarters, will, in addition to a detailed description of the service rendered, be accompanied by a proposed citation.

e. Recommendations for the award of all decorations, which the appropriate command headquarters is not authorized hereby to make, will be forwarded to this Headquarters. Recommendations upon which the appropriate command headquarters may take final action will be submitted to such headquarters in accordance with the policies and requirements announced by such headquarters.

f. The authority to make and present awards delegated in this Memorandum will not be sub-delegated.

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g. Recommendation for Oak Leaf Clusters submitted to this Headquarters will state the authority for which the original decoration to which the recommended Oak Leaf Cluster is proposed was awarded and any other Oak Leaf Clusters previously awarded to the original decoration.

h. No decoration shall be awarded or presented to any individual whose entire service subsequent to the time he distinguished himself shall not have been honorable.

i. Facts concerning the award will be entered on page 6 of the Service Record of enlisted men and record of presentation, including medal number and date which will be entered under "Remarks Administrative." Similar information will be entered under "Remarks" on DD AGO Form 86-1 and/or 86-2 for Officers, Warrant Officers and Flight Officers.

j. Awards will be published in general orders by commanders authorized to make them. Three (3) copies of all such orders will be forwarded direct to The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C.; one copy to the Central HW, APO 937, five (5) copies to Headquarters, European T of Opns, US Army, and two (2) copies to this Headquarters. Reports of presentation are not required. It is desired that this Headquarters be informed in all cases where presentation of awards is unable to be made because the status of personnel has become KIA or MIA subsequent to the publication of orders awarding decorations.

k. Sufficient copies of all related papers will be forwarded on the cases requiring the approval of Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, so that this Headquarters will receive at least four (4) copies for those on which final action is to be taken there and six (6) copies for those which are to be sent to the War Department; and in every case an appropriate citation will be prepared by the headquarters initiating the recommendation, and each higher headquarters will either approve the citation as drafted or prepare a more appropriate one.

l. Recommendation for all awards for action accomplished by an evadee between the time of landing in enemy territory and until the return to the United Kingdom will be governed by letter, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, file 200.6, subject: "Awards and Decorations," dated 1 October 1944.

m. All recommendations for acts or achievements performed after an individual was wounded or injured will include a Surgeon's certificate containing the following information: Nature of wound, severity of wound, extent to which person was incapacitated and degree of pain suffered.

n. All recommendations submitted for awards based upon heroism in aerial flight will include the following information: Number of operational hours, number of operational missions, number of planes destroyed in air and number of planes destroyed on ground.

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SECTION IIICampaign and Service Medals

1. The War Department has authorized the American, European-African-Middle Eastern, and Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medals. Upon determination of an individual's eligibility to wear a particular theater ribbon, Commanding Officers will have a remark entered to that effect in Service Records of enlisted men and on WD AGO Form 66-1 and/or 66-2 of Officers, Warrant Officers and Flight Officers. (Ref WD Cir 62, 11 Feb 44, as amended.)

2. Individuals who are eligible to wear the appropriate Theater Ribbon may wear bronze service stars on the appropriate Theater Service Ribbon to indicate battle participation providing they meet eligibility requirements as set forth in Par 7b WD Cir No. 62, 11 Feb 44, as amended by WD Cir 195, 18 May 44. Battle Participation Credit will be published in letters, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

3. Wearing of the American Defense Ribbon (yellow ribbon) is authorized for military personnel who entered upon a period of active Federal Service of 12 months or longer between 8 September 1939 and 7 December 1941, both inclusive. A metal clasp bearing the inscription "Foreign Service" is authorized to be worn on the ribbon of the American Defense Service Medal by each qualified recipient of the Medal who served outside the Continental Limits of the United States during the period for which the medal is awarded. A bronze star 3/16 inch in diameter will be worn in the center of the service ribbon in lieu of the authorized clasp. (Ref WD Cir 27, 19 Jan 44, as amended by WD Cir 129, 3 Apr 44.)

SECTION IVForeign Awards

1. Personnel of the armed forces of the United States will accept and wear foreign decorations under the provisions of Section IV, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, and Section V, AR 600-40, 23 August 1944, as amended.

2. In the case of foreign awards, the headquarters empowered to take final action will forward the approved recommendations to Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, in order that concurrence may be obtained from foreign government prior to final action, with the exception of immediate combat awards which may be awarded under the provisions of paragraph 8c, AR 600-45, as amended. Upon the presentation of U.S. awards to foreign personnel, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army will be notified of the facts of the presentations. (AG 200.6 11FGA, 12 June 1944.)

3. Exchange of Awards between French Military and United States Army Personnel.

a. All awards of United States decorations to French Military personnel and all offers of awards of French decorations to United States Army personnel will be referred to Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army for clearance prior to the taking of final action.

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b. Copies of all general orders announcing awards to French Military personnel, together with statements of the pertinent facts of presentation will be forwarded to Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army. All facts concerning awards of French decorations to United States Army personnel will be reported to Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army.

SECTION V

Battle Streamers and Unit Citations

1. Battle Streamers. See AR 260-10, 20 November 1931 and Change No. 13, Paragraph 12b, AR 260-10, 1 November 1942.

2. Unit Citations, will be governed by regulations contained in Section IV, circular No. 323, War Department, 22 December 1942.

3. The exchange of unit citations between United States Forces and those of our Allies is permissible but this should be reserved for exceptional cases of merit in which our forces have been directly implicated either by assisting or being assisted in actual combat by a foreign unit. The Theater Commander may take final action to award a United States or accept a foreign unit citation when the unit involved is a battalion or similar organization or smaller. This authority may not be delegated and when the unit involved is larger than a battalion or similar sized organization, final action will be taken by the War Department.

4. Meritorious Service Unit Plaque, Stars and Insignia.

a. All recommendations will be made in accordance with Circular 345, War Department 1944, as amended by Circular 421, War Department 1944, and letter, Headquarters, European T of Opns US Army, File AG OPGA, subject: "Award of the Meritorious Service Unit Plaque," dated 14 October 1944.

b. All recommendations will be forwarded to this Headquarters for necessary action.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. FULTON
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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of (Name of Medal)

TO : (Submit through proper channels)

1. a. It is recommended that (Name) (ASN) (Rank) (Branch) (Orgn) (Staff Section, if appropriate) be awarded the (Name of Medal). (Present Status).

b. (Name) was serving as a (Grade and Duty) (ASN, if different than above) and was (Duty Status) (Unit) at the time of the act or service for which this award is recommended.

c. Name and address of nearest relative: _____

d. Entered military service from: _____

e. Decorations previously awarded: _____

f. The entire service of (Name) has been honorable since the rendition by him of the act or service upon which this recommendation is based.

g. A similar recommendation for this individual (has) (Has not) been submitted. (If previously submitted, include information as to where submitted, and action taken.)

2. a. The officer recommending this award (has personal knowledge) (was eyewitness to) the act or service upon which this recommendation was based. (NOTE: This subparagraph should be omitted if not applicable. When so omitted, testimony in the form of certificates or affidavits of two persons who have personal knowledge or were an eyewitness to the act, should accompany the recommendation.)

b. This recommendation is supported by (official records), a certified copy of which (is) (are) inclosed. (NOTE: Omit if not applicable.)

3. The appropriate remark for the award being recommended will be shown followed by a detailed narrative of the facts based upon the statement of a person who has personal knowledge or was an eyewitness, describing in detail, the service or action for which the award is recommended, whether or not the individual was wounded, and a statement of the results directly attributable to such service or action:

a. For Medal of Honor: (Name) while an (officer)(enlisted man) of the Army of the United States, in action involving actual conflict with an enemy, distinguished himself conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty:

For Distinguished Service Cross: (Name) while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy:

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For Distinguished Service Medal: (Name) while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the government in a duty of great responsibility:

For the Legion of Merit: (Name) while a member of the armed forces of the United States, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services:

For the Silver Star: (Name) while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by gallantry in action:

For Distinguished Flying Cross: (Name) while serving with the Army Air Forces (or as an Army Liaison Pilot), distinguished himself by (heroism) (extraordinary achievement) while participating in aerial flights:

For Soldier's Medal: (Name) while a member of the armed forces of the United States, distinguished himself by heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy:

For Bronze Star Medal: (Name) while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by heroic or meritorious achievement or service in connection with military operations not involving participation in aerial flight against an enemy of the United States:

For Air Medal: (Name) while serving with the Army of the United States, distinguished himself by meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight:

For Medal for Merit: (Name) since 8 September 1939, has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services: (For foreign personnel: (Name) has performed an exceptionally meritorious or courageous act or acts in the furtherance of the war effort of the United Nations:)

b. Additional Remarks for Combat Awards: Date of act; location at which act or service was rendered; character of the terrain, character of hostile observation; character of enemy fire during period in which deed was performed; visibility, time of day, and atmospheric conditions; proximity of enemy; morale--that of our forces and the enemy.

c. Additional Remarks for Distinguished-Service Medal and Legion of Merit: The accomplishment of the service for which the award is recommended, extended from (date) to (date) and (has) (has not) been completed. The service was performed (at) (in) (Place or Region). If not completed: Prior to the transfer of (Name) to other duties, the accomplishment of the service for which this award is recommended had progressed to an exceptional degree.

4. Proposed citation: (Citation)

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12 January 1945

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PERSONNEL MILITARY

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Effective 7 January 1945, so much of paragraph 1 f, Section I, Memorandum 35-5, this Headquarters, dated 7 January 1945 as reads: "All recommendations for the award of The Distinguished Flying Cross and Oak Leaf Cluster thereto will be forwarded to this Headquarters for necessary action", is amended to read: "Authority is delegated to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command to award and present The Distinguished Flying Cross and Oak Leaf Cluster thereto to personnel under his Command".

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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PERSONNEL MILITARY

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

(Paragraph 1, Inclosure 1, Memorandum 35-5, this headquarters, dated 7 January 1945, is amended to include the following:)

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h. Others recommended for the same act or services: _____

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By command of Brigadier General S. WILLE:

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MEMORANDUM:

22 January 1945.

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PERSONNEL, MILITARY

COMBAT CREWS

(All previous instructions, this Headquarters,
in conflict with this Memorandum, are rescinded.)

SECTION I ----- General.
SECTION II ----- Removal from Flying.
SECTION III ----- Combat Crew Replacements.
SECTION IV ----- Relief of Combat Crews from Combat Duty.
SECTION V ----- Procedures.

SECTION I

General

1. Flying status, suspension and removal of suspension from flying, restriction on flying, and evaluation of flying personnel, will be accomplished as provided in AAF Regulation No. 35-16, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, 20 October 1944.
2. Care of the Flyer will be accomplished as provided in Memorandum No. 25-7, this Headquarters, dated 29 December 1944.
3. Reports of combat crew status will be made in accordance with directive issued separately by this Headquarters.
4. Other policies and procedures relating to combat crews will be as provided herein.
5. Local Flying Evaluation Boards are authorized and will be established at such stations as are determined by the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, and the Commanding General, 42nd Bombardment Wing (Medium).

SECTION II

Removal from Flying

6. Terms used herein are explained as follows:

a. Flying fatigue: This term denotes ordinary fatigue due to flying and the mental and physical disturbances which are the result thereof. It does not include those cases accompanied by emotional illness.

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b. Operational exhaustion: This term will be used to describe that condition, founded on a combination of physical fatigue, and emotional disturbances in an essentially stable individual, which occurs after the continued stress of combat, or after a series of harrowing incidents, and so reduces the operational efficiency of the individual as to affect the efficiency of the unit.

c. Anxiety reaction: This term is used to designate the condition seen in the individual with a definite clear-cut history of mental or emotional instability, whose intensified reaction to combat stresses causes a premature breakdown, associated with definite functional symptoms.

d. Lack of courage: This term is used to describe the individual who, in the opinion of the commanding officer, exhibits a lack of force in the face of the enemy, or who, in the absence of any substantiated evidence of previous definite emotional or mental disturbances, and in the absence of definite chronic psychoneurosis, exhibits disabling anxiety symptoms. It is recognized that the above description frequently applies to cases of operational exhaustion. In this event, the total situation and not the symptoms alone will be the basis for evaluation. The average anticipated tolerance to prolonged combat, and harrowing incidents, will be used as a standard.

e. Psychoneurosis: This term is used to designate the true neurotic who has somehow misled the selection board. This individual is easily recognizable as a medical case.

f. Psychosis: This term designates the truly insane.

7. All individuals who are performing unsatisfactory flying duty (with exception of those who are judged lacking in professional qualifications, or who are inapt) will be referred to the unit flight surgeon for a physical examination for flying.

a. When the physical qualifications for flying can be clearly determined, the commanding officer of the station or unit will be notified of the findings of the flight surgeon, and will take the action deemed appropriate in these circumstances.

b. When the physical qualification for flying of an individual is in doubt, or is the subject of controversy, he will be referred to the Central Medical Board, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), in accordance with paragraph 15, AAF Regulation 35-16, 20 October 1941.

8. The following action will be taken, based on the condition determined to exist:

a. A combat crew member deemed to be suffering from flying fatigue will be ordered to a rest home for a period not to exceed two (2) weeks, and grounded by local order, if necessary, until, in the opinion of the flight surgeon, the individual is physically capable of resuming full flying duties.

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b. A combat crew member suffering from operational exhaustion will be given necessary medical treatment, will be relieved from combat duty and will be returned to the Zone of Interior, under provisions of Section III, War Department Circular No. 372, dated 13 September 1944.

c. A combat crew member suffering from an anxiety reaction will be suspended from all flying duty for an indefinite period, and the confirmation of the suspension requested from higher headquarters. Minimal psychiatric symptoms will not be made the basis for physical disqualification for flying duty in such cases.

d. A combat crew member who, in the opinion of the commanding officer, lacks courage, will be suspended from flying, as provided in paragraph 4, AAF Regulation No. 35-16. Further action will be determined by this Headquarters, based on the recommendations of the Flying Evaluation Board.

e. A combat crew member suffering from a neurhenorexia (not including anxiety reaction) will be hospitalized for action by a general hospital disposition board.

f. A combat crew member having a true psychosis will be evacuated through the normal chain of evacuation to the nearest mental hospital for treatment and disposition.

SECTION III

Combat Crew Replacements

9. Combat crew replacements will be received from the 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), in accordance with existing directives of Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and Headquarters, Air Service Command, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

10. Major subordinate commanders are authorized to communicate directly with the Commanding Officer, 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), APO 652, and to direct the movement and assignment of crews allocated to their command by the Replacement System.

SECTION IV

Relief of Combat Crews from Combat Duty

11. A sufficient number of combat crews will be relieved from combat duty to insure that combat crews assigned do not exceed those authorized. Such crews will normally be those who have participated in the greatest number of operational missions.

12. Combat crews so relieved may either be returned to the Zone of Interior, under the provisions of Section III, War Department Circular 372, dated 13 September 1944, or may be reassigned to non-operational duty to fill an authorized T/O vacancy.

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13. Combat crew members reassigned to non-operational duty, after a minimum of three (3) months on the new assignment, may be returned to the Zone of Interior under the provisions of Section III, War Department Circular No. 372, dated 13 September 1944.

14. Combat crew members whose services are desired for a longer interval than three (3) months, may be returned, prior to reassignment to non-operational duty, for thirty (30) days, exclusive of travel time, in the United States for rest and recuperation. Such action will normally involve only a small number of highly desirable personnel, qualified for reassignment as group and squadron executives or commanders, or for staff duty at higher headquarters.

15. The provisions of paragraph 14 above apply only to combat crews relieved under paragraph 11 above and do not apply to combat crew personnel found operationally exhausted under Section II above.

SECTION V

Procedures

16. Combat crew personnel to be returned to the Zone of Interior under the provisions of paragraphs 8b, 12, and 13, above, when approved by the major subordinate commander concerned, will be ordered to the replacement depot authorized by the Replacement System, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe. Orders issued will transfer personnel to the Casual Pool, 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), AAF Station 591, APO 652, and will direct them to proceed to the 134th Replacement Battalion (AAF), APO 633, for transportation to the United Kingdom, to await transportation to the Zone of Interior. Orders will cite as authority Section III, War Department Circular No. 372, dated 13 September 1944, and letter, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, subject: "Combat Crew Rehabilitation Policy," dated 3 December 1944. Letter, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, file 370.5, subject: "Procedure for Return of Individuals," dated 15 November 1944, will be fully complied with.

17. Combat crew personnel to be returned for thirty (30) days, exclusive of travel time, in the United States for rest and recuperation, under the provisions of paragraph 14 above, when approved by the major subordinate commander concerned, will be ordered to the replacement depot authorized by the Replacement System, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe. Orders issued will place personnel on Temporary Duty with the "Casual Pool," 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), AAF Station 594, APO 652, to await transportation to the Zone of Interior for thirty (30) days, exclusive of travel time, for rest and recuperation, and return to proper station. Orders will cite as authority letter, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, subject: "Combat Crew Rehabilitation Policy," dated 3 December 1944. Letter, Headquarters, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, file 370.5, subject: "Procedure for Return of Individuals," dated 15 November 1944, will be fully complied with.

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13 November 1944

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INTELLIGENCE OBJECTIVES

1. The primary objective for Intelligence Sections of all echelons of the First Tactical Air Force is to furnish the Unit Commander and others entitled to receive it, adequate and timely information of the enemy as required for the accomplishment of the assigned missions of the unit. Secondary objectives include the execution of measures to assist the Unit Commander in carrying out Counter Intelligence and Liaison Activities.

2. The Intelligence Sections of all echelons of the First Tactical Air Force will be organized, trained and equipped to accomplish these objectives in accordance with the principles and doctrines outlined in FM 1-40 "Intelligence Procedure in Aviation Units", FM 30-25 "Counter-Intelligence", and the directives, orders and interpretations of this and higher headquarters. In so far as is practicable all intelligence instruction will be incorporated in the First Tactical Air Force numbered Memorandums under the 45 series of which this is the first. An index of the Intelligence Memorandums issued, or to be issued, under the 45 series is included as Memorandum 45-0 and will be kept currently up to date.

3. The intelligence planning, as well as the collection, evaluation, collation and dissemination of information in all echelons of the command will be based on the primary considerations of accuracy and speed of handling.

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COMBAT INTELLIGENCE PROCEDURE

1. GENERAL: The intelligence section of each echelon of the First Tactical Air Force will be organized, trained, and equipped to perform the functions of planning and executing the Collection, Evaluation, Collation, Interpretation and Dissemination of Intelligence consistent with the size and tactical functions of the unit involved. In the lower echelons the primary functions of Unit Intelligence Officers are to furnish the information of the enemy for briefing Combat Crews, the interrogation of returning crews and the continued intelligence training of all personnel. Commanders will not assign other duties to intelligence officers which will interfere with these functions or use Officers who have been trained for intelligence in other capacities without specific authority from this headquarters.

2. COLLECTION: The principal sources of enemy information are:

a. Periodic and Special reports from higher, lower and adjacent headquarters.

(1) It will be a function of the Intelligence Sections of all echelons to establish liaison with appropriate headquarters to insure receipt of periodic and special reports containing pertinent information of the enemy.

b. Interrogation of Combat Crews: Observations by members of combat crews during operational missions represent an important source of enemy information.

(1) Interrogation of returning crews will be continued as soon as practicable after aircraft lands. Each crew will be interrogated separately by qualified Intelligence personnel. Sample Form No. 1 may be used as a guide. Where special information is desired by unit commander or other staff sections, normally it will be obtained by Intelligence personnel in conjunction with the routine questioning and not by separate interrogation.

(2) The secondary duty of all Air Force personnel is the acquisition of information of the enemy.

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Continuous training in the method and importance of visual observation will be accomplished, stressing accuracy of observation and reporting. Adequate facilities will be provided for orderly and thorough interrogation of combat crews.

- (3) A more detailed discussion on the technique of interrogation is attached as Supplement A.

3. EVALUATION: Information received by units of the First Tactical Air Force will be evaluated with respect to the source as confirmed, reliably reported, reported or doubtful. In disseminating information the source will be indicated or evaluated. Immediately upon receipt, all information will also be evaluated with respect to urgency of dissemination and classified as Urgent or Routine. Urgent information will be disseminated immediately to all interested headquarters by the most expeditious means available.

4. COLLATION: The effective collation of enemy information requires an efficient system of recording and analysis. Intelligence sections of all echelons will be organized to record all incoming information in such a manner that it is immediately available to the Unit Commander, the Staff, and in the lower echelons, the Combat crews, in such form as to assist to the maximum the planning and execution of the Unit Operations. The minimum requirements for all echelons will normally include:

- a. The Unit Journal in which all items of information will be recorded with time, source and disposition indicated.
- b. Situation Maps and supporting work records including
- (1) Enemy order of battle, air, ground, and naval as required.
 - (2) Status of enemy airdromes with respect to number of aircraft present.
 - (3) Notes on enemy air tactics.
 - (4) Status of Ground Situation as required.
 - (5) Current record of pin point flak positions.
 - (6) Status of targets with respect to destruction and restoration efforts.
- c. The manner in which the data will be assembled and displayed will depend on the requirements of the unit involved.

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The primary considerations are:

- (1) That the information be currently posted.
- (2) That the record be conveniently accessible to those for whose benefit it is maintained.
- (3) That the strength, disposition and combat efficiency of the enemy units be as accurately portrayed as the information available permits.

5. INTERPRETATION: The intelligence sections of each echelon will determine the military significance of the evaluated information available and will be prepared to furnish the Unit Commander and other staff sections conclusions in the form of an estimate of the enemy situation as it pertains to the assigned mission or objective of the unit. The dissemination of Urgent Information will not be delayed for interpretation in any echelon. In the lower echelons, interpretation will include such studies and statistical analyses of available data as are required for a proper appreciation of enemy tactics and will cover any new developments which may occur in the combat experience of the personnel of the unit. The results of such studies will be reported through channels to this headquarters or whatever additional dissemination of the situation warrants.

6. DISSEMINATION: The dissemination will be accomplished through:

a. Briefing: Briefing is the dissemination of information concerning an operation to the participating combat crews. This information includes tactical details, ordinarily furnished by operations section or Unit Commander, signal instructions, weather conditions, and information of the enemy. Enemy information is the responsibility of the Intelligence section. It may be disseminated orally, or in prepared form such as Target Folders, annotated maps, photographs, charts and overlays. Intelligence briefing will be a continuing function and information of the enemy will be made available to combat personnel at such times and in such forms as most effectively to acquaint the personnel involved with the current enemy situation as it pertains to the mission of the Air Force. A more detailed discussion on the technique of Briefing is attached as Supplement B.

b. Situation Maps: Situation Maps will be maintained to show graphically the enemy dispositions and changes therein as required by the nature of the operations being performed by the Unit. The situation map or maps will ordinarily show the enemy operational airdromes in the theatre and sufficient information regarding the ground situation to enable the Commander and his staff to formulate a correct estimate of the situation with respect to the accomplishment of designated objectives. The lower

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echelons will include the Bomb Line and Safe Landing Line currently posted. In addition, the situation map will ordinarily include emergency landing grounds and a sortie line on the basis of information received from the Operation section.

c. Reports: The dissemination of enemy information will include the preparation by various intelligence sections of mission, combat claims and encounters, special and periodic reports as indicated in Supplement C.

d. Objective Folders and Target Charts: All current information available pertaining to potential targets will be filed in the intelligence sections of all echelons by target. The objective folder file will normally include a portfolio for each potential target containing the current target chart, latest photographs available, together with extracts or digests from photo interpretation reports, reports of visual reconnaissance, Prisoner of War interrogation reports and information from other sources.

e. Maps and Navigational Charts: The intelligence section at each echelon will be responsible for procurement and distribution of appropriate maps and navigational charts as required for operations.

- (1) A map depot, located at C-8 Rue Tassel, Langres will be opened by the Sixth Army Group Engineer, 1 December 1944, to serve units of this Air Force.
- (2) Requisitions will be made to the Commanding Officer, 1711 Engineer Map Depot Detachment c/o Engineer CGAD, APO 667, US Army.
- (3) Requisitions will include bulk requirements for a period of at least thirty (30) days, unless circumstances make it necessary to order smaller quantities.
- (4) Direct requisitions by Tactical Air Commands is authorized. Requirements for subordinate units will be coordinated at the command level.
- (5) Care will be taken not to waste maps. Rigid economy, consistent with efficient operation, will be exercised.

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7. RESULTS OF ENEMY ACTION: Collection and dissemination of enemy information will include all results of enemy air action within the operating area of the unit as well as results of enemy action by air, ground force, or sabotage, against Air Force personnel, equipment or installations.

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INTERROGATION PROCEDURE

1. General:

a. Every effort will be directed towards making the interrogation as brief and as comfortable for the crews as is consistent with accomplishing a complete and effective collection of information. Adequate facilities for either squadron or group interrogations will be provided. Interrogation will not be conducted at the aircraft, except under the most exceptional circumstances. Pre-interview planning, and the preparation of forms by recording data available prior to the return of the missions, will be utilized to the maximum to expedite interrogation.

b. The results of each interrogation will be recorded on a form similar to the attached Sample Form No. 1. Maps, charts, flight formation diagrams and aerial photos will be employed to facilitate the interrogation. Accuracy of reporting and observation will be stressed, and time, place, altitude and direction of movements where applicable will be reported.

2. SCOPE: The completed interrogation should be more than a tabulation of unsupported crew statements. The qualified interrogator must achieve a completely objective viewpoint, attempting neither to add nor detract from the group performance. He should endeavor to arrive at a true picture of the results, observations, and events experienced on the mission. It is essential that he afford the combat crews free opportunity to detail their experiences and observations, aid them to crystallize their thoughts, and refrain from leading questions. Knowledge of combat conditions is essential to proper interrogation and combat claim evaluation, and it is recommended to Unit Commanders that qualified Intelligence Officers be encouraged and afforded opportunity to accompany operational missions.

3. CLAIMED DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT: Claims will be reported in accordance with the definitions given below. Claims will be based on careful interrogation and will be subject to strict examination and verification. Every effort will be made to eliminate duplication of claims; diagrams and models of formation will be used for this purpose.

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when:

a. Aircraft in flight shall be considered destroyed

- (1) Seen to crash.
- (2) Seen to disintegrate in the air or be enveloped in flames.
- (3) Seen to descend on friendly territory and be captured.
- (4) Pilot and entire crew seen to bail out.

when:

b. Aircraft not in flight shall be considered destroyed

- (1) Seen by photograph to have been blown apart or burned out.
- (2) Seen by strike photo to have been within unobstructed lethal radius of a fragmentation bomb. (The lethal radius is any point within 35 feet of the center of the aircraft).
- (3) Seen to sink in deep water.
- (4) Known to have been aboard carrier or other ship at time of confirmed sinking.

when:

c. Aircraft shall be considered probably destroyed

- (1) While in flight it is so damaged as to have less than even chance of reaching its own territory safely.
- (2) So damaged by bombing or strafing as to have less than an even chance to be repaired.

d. Aircraft shall be considered damaged when:

- (1) While in flight, it is so damaged as to require repair before beginning another mission but has better than an even chance of reaching its own territory safely.
- (2) So damaged by bombing or strafing as to require repair before becoming operational.

4. DESIGNATION OF FLAK:

a. Reporting: Flak will be reported relatively as to its intensity, accuracy, and type in that order. (Example: "Scant (S), inaccurate (I), heavy flak (H) was experienced from the target").

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b. Description of Flak by Category:

INTENSITY	ACCURACY	TYPE
<u>Scant:</u> (C) Not more than one burst per second and in same area for several seconds. (From 4 to 6 guns firing).	<u>Accurate:</u> (A) Bursts in close proximity to plane and/or hits obtained.	HEAVY (H)
<u>Moderate:</u> (M) Bursts in several areas at about 3 per second. (From 12 to 20 guns firing).	<u>Inaccurate:</u> (I) Bursts beyond danger area and no hits obtained.	
<u>Intense:</u> (I) Many bursts in area 5 to 10 per second. (From over 24 guns firing).		
<u>Scant:</u> (S) Few dispersed weapons less than six firing at once.	<u>Accurate:</u> (A) Tracer streams in apparent close proximity to plane and/or hits occur.	LIGHT (L) Flak
<u>Moderate:</u> (M) Six to twenty weapons firing at once.	<u>Inaccurate:</u> (I) Tracer streams well away from plane, and no hits obtained.	Small Arms Fire
<u>Intense:</u> (I) Many weapons in action and air full of tracers.		

5. OBSERVATIONS: The secondary duty of all Air Force personnel is to obtain information of the enemy. Interrogation will secure information (WHAT, WHEN AND WHERE as to each observation) on:

- a. Bombing results.
- b. Details of enemy defenses and tactics.
 - (1) Location of AA batteries, number, type and accuracy.
 - (2) Locations of smoke screens, searchlights, balloon barrages.
 - (3) Strength and disposition of enemy a/c; tactics, marking, types, armament.
- c. Location of new landing strips and airfields.

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- d. Location of dummy targets and camouflage defenses.
- e. Ship, troop, motor and rail movements; location of military installations, in accordance with essential elements of information as announced at briefings.
- f. Weather over route and target.
- g. Damage or loss of own a/c.
6. Other Information: Any items of information elicited during interrogation pertaining to weather, communications or armament will be coordinated with appropriate section.

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SAMPLE FORM NO. 1
(See Supp "A" to Memo No. 45-2)

INTERROGATION FORM

DATE:

Squadron: Group: A/C No.: Bomb Load:

Position in formation: Target:

Pilot Radio
Co-Pilot Gunner
Nav.-Bomb

Time off: Time landed:

Escort (Number and Type): Group:

Route:

Bombs dropped on target: Time: Alt: Rending:

Bombs jettisoned or brought back:

Results observed:

Heavy Flak (Intense, Moderate, or Scant): Accuracy:

Light Flak (Intense, Moderate, or Scant): Accuracy:

Location of Flak (as precise as possible):

Observations (Ships, Military Installations, Troops, Movements)
(What, When, and Where as to each observation):

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COMBAT CREW BRIEFING PROCEDURES

1. General: Briefing of combat crews is the presentation of the latest available information of the target, the plan of the operation, the enemy situation, and all other information necessary to insure the maximum opportunity for successful completion of the prescribed mission. Such information is presented to the crews prior to their departure on the mission. Time between briefing and takeoff should be held to a minimum to minimize the risk of leakage of information. It is customary for briefing to be carried out orally.

2. Sequence of Briefing: The procedure for briefing combat crews may vary in detail in the various units of an Air Force. However, in all cases adequate provision for proper display of visual aids must be provided as well as a large enough room or tent to accommodate combat crews and provide necessary security. Information will be presented in the following sequence:

- a. Mission statement. Explanation of the purpose of the mission and its importance. (Normally by unit commanding officer or S-3).
- b. Target information and combat intelligence. (S-2).
- c. Operations instructions. (S-3).
- d. Signals instructions, including AFR data. (Communications Officer).
- e. Weather information. (Weather Officer).
- f. Statement by Commanding Officer.

3. Intelligence Briefing: Intelligence briefing will include:

- a. Details of the Target, its military significance, vulnerable points and relevant landmarks useful in identifying it from the air.
- b. Issuance of Target Charts, maps, photographs, and other target material.
- c. Location of dummy targets or decoys reported in and around Target areas; warning of possible camouflage defense.

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- d. Explanation of route out and in.
- e. Details of enemy defense and tactics:
 - (1) Location of anti-aircraft batteries; number, type, and accuracy.
 - (2) Smoke screens, searchlights, balloon barrages.
 - (3) Strength and disposition of fighter aircraft; tactics, markings, types, and last known encounters.
- f. Locations of E/A bases in enemy territory.
- g. Escape instructions and E/A security reminders; issue of kits and rations.
- h. Special instructions re air observation. For effective observation it is essential that combat crew members be familiar with the general ground, air and marine situation along the route to and from the target as well as at the target, and to know what items of information are considered important. A concise explanation of the situation and announcement of essential elements of information will be a part of the general briefing. In addition the essential elements of information will be analyzed and selected personnel briefed individually and specifically on items of special interest or importance. In the planning and execution of this type of briefing, the objective to be achieved will be the controlling consideration; adequate evaluation of particular situations being achieved through multiple observations directed in accordance with coordinated intelligence planning.
- i. Reminder to remove all identifying possessions and documents prior to take-off.

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REPORTS PROCEDURE

1. Mission Report: (See sample form attached)

a. As soon as practicable after completion of the interrogation, a mission report will be dispatched to this headquarters through channels by the most expeditious means available, giving the following information:

- (1) Unit.
- (2) Number a/c off and target attacked. (Name targets actually attacked). In case of Fighter Groups, the type of the mission and locality will be given. (Escort, sweep, patrol, armed recon, etc.).
- (3) Number of early returns and number of sorties. If any aircraft are unaccounted for, give reasons.
- (4) Number over target, time over target, altitude.
- (5) Number of aircraft dropping on target, tons, weight and type of bombs fuses.
- (6) Number not dropping on target and reasons. (Nos 5 and 6 should equal the number of sorties).
- (7) Enemy a/c seen.
- (8) E/a encountered, tactics, time and place of attacks, etc.
- (9) Claims.
- (10) Flak.
- (11) Losses (to include lost and missing aircraft and cause of losses when known). Include a/c identification numbers of all lost and missing aircraft.

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- (12) Casualties.
- (13) Aircraft attempting photos.
- (14) Route flown and weather.
 - (a) Escort (to include time and place of rendezvous and time and place of departure from bombers).
 - (b) Bombers: Route to and from target.
- (15) Results.

b. Further Instructions on Above Reports.

- (1) All information on location and condition of all outstanding aircraft, including identification numbers, is to be reported to this headquarters immediately. This information is to be given on flashes and repeated on final telephone mission reports, and thereafter on every change of status of the aircraft involved.
- (2) Interrogate early returning aircraft and first planes returning after a mission regarding weather within 150 miles of base. Report this information only when conditions are hazardous to safe return.
- (3) Where appropriate the report will include the following:
 - (a) Enemy Resistance - Air.
 - (1) Time, Place, and altitude of each attack.
 - (2) Duration and intensity of enemy attacks.
 - (2) Direction of flight before deployment for attacks.
 - (4) Number and type of aircraft encountered, giving the proportions by type and/or category
 - (2) How enemy started and broke off his attack.

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- (6) How attack was met by our forces.
- (7) Ammunition used by the enemy (rockets, 20mm HE, aerial bombs, etc.).
- (8) Damage incurred by our forces from a/a.
- (9) Damage inflicted on the enemy by our forces.
- (10) Markings of enemy aircraft.
- (11) Evidence of long range fighters (belly tanks, etc.).
- (12) Note the successive timing of attacks and pinpoint place of attacks along route.

(b) Enemy Resistance - Flak

- (1) Points of contact.
- (2) Area of greatest concentration in relation to target.
- (3) Type, accuracy, intensity.
- (4) Barrage, predicted or aimed.
- (5) Variations of intensity or accuracy. (See Supplement A, paragraph 4).
- (6) Estimated number of guns firing.
- (7) Comparison with prior experience in same area.
- (8) Full details of evasive action taken and results of evasive action.
- (9) Evidence of coordination with enemy fighter attacks.
- (10) New or unusual flak tactics employed by the enemy.
- (11) Damage to our forces.

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- (c) Significant Observations: These are to include all items of information which after evaluation are deemed of sufficient importance to transmit to this headquarters. Examples of such observations are as follows:

- (1) Evidence of camouflage, dummy installations.
- (2) Activity on the ground (rail, motor transport, troop movements). (Note direction of movement, points of evident congestion, etc.).
- (3) Location of new airdromes and landing grounds and aircraft seen on them.
- (4) Pinpoint locations of flak positions.
- (5) Smoke screens and effectiveness of their use.
- (6) Naval and shipping activity.
- (7) Other information in accordance with essential elements of information as briefed.

- (d) Radio Security: Violations of radio silence are to be reported in all cases.

- (e) Conclusion: Total losses and damage to our forces; victories; and supplementary data not included in telephone mission report.

2. Summary Reports:

a. Where inadequate communications interfere with the expeditious handling of individual mission reports as outlined above, a periodic summary report of the unit operations will be forwarded to this headquarters as circumstances permit. Every effort will be made to have the final summary report reach this headquarters by 2400 hours daily. When summary reports are submitted, individual mission reports forms will be completed and one copy forwarded to this headquarters within 24 hours. Individual mission reports transmitted by telephone need not be confirmed.

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3. Flak Report:

a. Each command or equivalent unit will issue a daily report giving pinpoint locations of new flak installations and changes in status of previously reported positions within the operating area of the unit. All sources of information will be employed to produce the data required including Photo Reconnaissance, Tac/R, and observations by combat crews. Where the situation warrants, flak information will be disseminated as a "Flash" intelligence report.

4. Special Reports:

a. Special reports of any significant enemy information on tactics, equipment, defenses, airdromes, movements and shipping will be made giving full details. Reports or studies of other subjects of tactical, strategic, or training value will be submitted. The Intelligence section of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will also prepare and distribute such special reports as may be appropriate for full dissemination of enemy information.

5. Periodic Reports:

a. The Intelligence Section, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will prepare and distribute a daily intelligence summary containing current information on preceding days operations and information of the enemy pertinent to the assigned missions and objectives of the Air Force, as well as such other reports as may from time to time be published pertinent to operations of the Air Force, the progress of the war, estimates of the situation, and other intelligence.

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MISSION REPORT

1. UNIT _____ GROUP _____ TIME _____ DATE _____ 194.
2. OFF TO _____
(Fighters give type mission, escort, patrol, sweep etc. & locality)
3. EARLY SORTIES. _____
4. OVER TARGET AT _____ HOURS, AT _____ FEET
5. DROPT ON TGT _____ TONS _____ LB. _____ BOMBS _____ FUSES
6. OTHERS _____
7. E/A SEEN _____
8. E/A ENCOUNTERED, TACTICS, TIME, PLACE, ETC. _____
9. CLAIMS _____
10. FLAI AT TARGET _____
OTHER _____
11. LOST, REASONS _____
MISSING _____
AT FRIENDLY FIELDS _____
12. CASUALTIES _____
13. PLANES ATTEMPTING PHOTOS _____
14. ROUTE FLOW & WEATHER. ESCORT ALSO GIVE TIME & PLACE OF RENDEZVOUS
& DEPARTURE. _____
15. RESULTS: _____

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE

1. Counter Intelligence is a command function normally exercised through the unit Intelligence Officer. Unit Intelligence Sections of this Air Force will be organized:

a. To keep the commander and his staff informed at all times regarding the counter intelligence situation.

b. To prepare plans for counter intelligence measures and supervise their execution as required by AF 30-25, AR 300-5, and instructions issued from time to time by this and higher headquarters.

2. Enforcement of security discipline will be accomplished by:

a. Security lectures at regular intervals with special attention to indoctrination of newly-arrived personnel. Such lectures will cover examples of censorship violations and loose talk, also adequate briefing of all personnel on local security controls, rules and regulations.

b. Training films which may be available together with security posters and informational bulletins of security violations.

c. Adequately safeguarding combat mission information.

d. Frequent check of security at briefings to see that no unauthorized personnel are present.

e. Inspection of aircraft as required to insure that no documents or information of value to the enemy are taken aloft except that which is vital to the success of the current mission and that adequate instructions and arrangements for destruction of such material are in effect.

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f. An adequate training program to insure that combat intelligence officers are conversant with all provisions of Prisoner of War folders and that all combat crews are properly briefed on escape and evasion tactics.

g. Enforcement of radio security during tactical missions in accordance with current instructions from this and higher headquarters.

h. Instructions of personnel returning to the United States in current regulations on security.

3. Safeguarding Military Information:

a. Security of documents and maps will be in accordance with provisions of AR 380-5.

b. All personnel will be thoroughly instructed in the provisions of AR 380-5. All personnel will be warned that ignorance of security regulations is not considered a valid excuse for violations and that violations carry severe penalties.

c. Secret and Top Secret material will be handled in strict compliance with the provisions of AR 380-5 and complete records thereof will be kept in all sections of this Air Force having such material. Material classified Top Secret and Secret will have the authority for classification marked clearly thereon.

d. The destruction of all Top Secret and Secret documents will be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of AR 380-5.

e. Classified information displayed on walls of offices, tents or rooms will be given adequate security and such displays will be kept at a minimum.

4. Censorship:

In this theater censorship will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of ETOUSA Circular 33, dated 21 March 1944, and amendments thereto. Personnel will be indoctrinated in accordance with provisions of paragraph 2a of this memorandum.

5. Communications Security:

Communications security will be handled through the unit signal or communications officer and cryptographic security officer. Adequate methods will be established to include the following:

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a. Direct supervision of the security of all message centers and official couriers.

b. Monitoring of all wire lines and radio channels will be under the supervision of the signal or communications officer. Reports will be made of such monitoring to unit commanders and all security violations will be reported to this headquarters without delay by unit intelligence officer. The monitoring will be as extensive as the situation warrants.

c. Periodic inspection of all devices and wire lines for possible wire tapping.

d. Investigation of all personnel under the provisions of letter file AG 311.5/MGB, Headquarters ETOUSA, subject: Clearance of Personnel for Cryptographic Duties, dated 12 January 1944 and change, letter same file, Hq. ETOUSA dated 19 April 1944.

e. Adequate provision for the destruction and reporting thereof on classified documents, codes, devices, and equipment.

6. Concealment and Camouflage:

a. Concealment, camouflage and other counter reconnaissance measures will be carried out in accordance with FM 30-25. Periodic inspections will be made as required by the situation and corrective action will be taken or recommendations initiated to insure the security of the command.

7. Security of Civilian Employees and Visitors:

a. The commanding officers of tactical and service units will be responsible for the investigation of all civilians employed at airfields, depots, and field installations of the First Tactical Air Force. The Counter Intelligence plan of each unit down to and including squadrons and companies will make provision for this function. Close liaison between tactical unit commanders and service unit commanders is encouraged for the successful operation of this plan. Unit commanders will maintain those records regarding civilian employees which may be necessary for the successful operation of their units. The thoroughness of each investigation will depend on the individual case. Where the civilian has access to classified material or information or where his job is such as to reasonably permit of possible sabotage a request for a thorough background investigation by the Counter Intelligence Corps will be requested of this Headquarters through A-2 channels.

b. Only authorized visitors, both civilian and military will be allowed to enter installations of First Tactical Air Force. All visitors should be accompanied by an authorized representative of the installation being visited.

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8. Prevention of Espionage, Sabotage and Subversion:

a. It is the policy of this headquarters that security measures in connection with espionage, sabotage and subversion will be preventive as well as punitive.

b. Guards will be employed to insure the security of installations and equipment with due regard to their relative importance as well as the availability of personnel. Deficiencies will be reported to this headquarters without delay together with remedial recommendations.

9. Reporting of incidents:

a. All incidents of apparent or suspected sabotage, espionage or subversive activity discovered at any installation of the First Tactical Air Force will be reported to the A-2 duty room Headquarters First Tactical Air Force by the most expeditious means of communication available and will be followed as soon as practicable thereafter by a written report forwarded through channels to this headquarters. Responsible commanders will be notified of all incidents as outlined above.

10. Employment of Counter Intelligence Corps:

Commanding Officers of First Tactical Air Force Units have at their disposal facilities of a Counter Intelligence Corps detachment located within reasonable proximity to their installation. The function of this detachment is to assist appropriate commanders through their staff counter intelligence officers in accomplishment of complete counter intelligence coverage for their installations; to investigate all incidents of sabotage, espionage, subversive activities and violations of AR 380-5 and to assist in other matters of security when requested. Normally requests for assistance by the Counter Intelligence Corps will be made through Counter Intelligence channels to Headquarters First Tactical Air Force. In an emergency requests for Counter Intelligence Corps personnel may be made directly to the nearest team of that organization. Headquarters First Tactical Air Force will be notified of all such requests.

11. Monthly Reports:

a. All service and tactical units down to and including companies and squadrons will submit a monthly Counter Intelligence Report on the form indicated in Appendix "A". Intelligence officers of Tactical Air Commands, First French Air Force, Air-Depot Groups, and Service Groups will consolidate such reports and transmit two copies of the consolidated report to this headquarters.

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b. The consolidated report will be submitted in sufficient time to reach this headquarters by the fifth day of the month following the period covered by the report.

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OUTLINE FOR MONTHLY COUNTER INTELLIGENCE REPORTS

1. Reports will consist of two parts. Part I will be a summary of the incidents described in Part II and will indicate trends in respect to subversion, sabotage, espionage, propaganda, attitude of civilian population and standard of security in our forces.

2. Part II will consist of actual or suspected incidents which will be reported in sufficient detail to support the statements as to trends made in Part I. Incidents will be grouped under appropriate headings as follows:

- a. Subversion: For each incident give type of effort and observed effect on military personnel.
- b. Sabotage: For each incident give objective, time, method employed, degree of success, number of saboteurs involved, equipment used, and number, nationality and arm or service of captured saboteurs.
- c. Espionage: Detailed description of each incident.
- d. Propaganda: Description of rumors current among military personnel, and of locally inspired propaganda. Attach samples of any written or printed material.
- e. Attitude of civilian population: Description of incidents which show pro-allied or pro-axis tendencies of civilian officials and the population.
- f. Miscellaneous: Any other matters of a counter intelligence or security nature which merit attention.

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TOP SECRET CONTROL PROCEDURE

1. A headquarters Top-Secret Controller, will be designated by each unit commander down to and including groups. His duties will be as follows:

a. To receive all Top Secret communications, maintain a record thereof and insure that such communications are delivered by an officer to the Top-Secret Officer (See par 2) of the section concerned and that receipts are secured and properly filed.

b. To properly dispatch all outgoing Top Secret communications and keep records on the same.

c. To provide a safe for keeping of any Top Secret communications that may be held in the office of the Top Secret Controller.

2. Each headquarters section will have a Top Secret Officer designated. His duties will be as follows:

a. To receive, record, and deliver to the interested officer in the section all Top Secret communications coming into his section.

b. To receive, record, and deliver to Top Secret Controller all Top Secret communications originating in his section.

c. To be responsible at all times for all Top Secret communications being held in his section, having in his possession either the communication or a proper receipt from any other officer of his section who may need the communication for official use.

d. To see that such communications being held by him are properly safeguarded.

3. Enlisted personnel will not handle any Top Secret communications at any time except as necessary for typing or other preparation for use.

By command of Major General ROICE:

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23 December 1944

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ESCAPE INTELLIGENCE

1. GENERAL

Tactical units will be responsible for the training of combat crews and other flying personnel in the technique of escape and evasion, for the proper requisition and distribution of escape aids, and for the submission of prescribed reports. An officer of the intelligence section of each unit will be designated as Escape Intelligence Officer and will assist the Commanding Officer in carrying out the foregoing responsibilities. He will coordinate his activities with other interested staff sections. Command escape intelligence officers will act for the intermediate echelon, and serve as the distributing agency for all escape intelligence information and escape aids as issued by First Tactical Air Force headquarters. To expedite action, all escape reports will be forwarded by the most expeditious means available to this headquarters.

2. ESCAPE TRAINING AND BRIEFING

- a. Unit escape intelligence officers will maintain a complete file of directives and bulletins pertaining to escape intelligence. Information will be disseminated to combat crew members at operational and intelligence briefings or at any other time deemed necessary by the Unit Commander.
- b. "Safe Area Maps" and other escape intelligence information will be so organized that combat crews will have access to these materials at hours other than the regular briefings.
- c. All new crew members before participation in combat will receive a thorough and comprehensive briefing in escape and evasion technique.
- d. Personnel who have successfully evaded or escaped from the enemy and have returned to their unit, will be utilized to the maximum in training of other combat flying personnel within the time limits prescribed by higher headquarters. Unit commanders, through their designated escape intelligence officers, will be responsible

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that information released by such evaders and escapees does not constitute a breach of security of existing directives on this subject.

e. Group escape intelligence officers will be responsible that no unauthorized papers or other documents accompany aircraft on missions. Crews will be briefed on procedure to be followed by aircraft or personnel in distress or that make a force landing in neutral or enemy occupied territory. Such procedure is prescribed in War Department Letter, AG 360.33, dated 12 April 1944, subject, "Instruction Concerning United States Aircraft Facing Forced Landings in Neutral and Enemy Territory". In addition, crews will be briefed as to action and rights in case of capture by the enemy as provided by the Geneva Convention and as set forth in War Department Pamphlet Number 21-7, dated 16 May 1944.

3. ESCAPE AIDS

a. Kits containing concentrated foods, water purification chemicals and other emergency aids as well as maps printed on cloth are currently available for issue to combat crews as escape aids. Purses containing currency have been found to be of little value in Germany proper and are not now being issued in this theater.

b. Headquarters First Tactical Air Force will act as a central distribution agency for the issue of all escape aids. Units will requisition their normal current needs through channels on a Monthly Report as prescribed in sample form No. 1.

c. Command and Group Escape Intelligence Officers are responsible for the storage and distribution of all escape aids. An efficient method of distribution and accountability will be instituted.

d. Losses will be classified on the basis of operational or combat losses, non-operational losses, and unserviceability due to damage or other causes.

(1) Operational or combat losses are defined as losses incurred while in aerial flight on a combat mission or when escape aids have been used or destroyed in connection with forced landings. In no instance will cases, due to personal negligence while on a combat mission, be accepted as an operational or combat loss.

(2) Non-operational losses are defined as losses incurred while on combat mission which in the opinion of the Unit Commander and the Escape Intelligence Officer warrant the acceptance of the fact that the loss was not through negligence.

(3) Unserviceability is defined as the state of condition of escape aids which render them unfit for maximum use for assistance to crews in distress. In the cases of food kits they will not be returned to the source of issue.

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(4) In all cases of loss or damage a letter will be forwarded to Command headquarters containing a statement as to the cause of loss or damage and the name of the individual or individuals to whom the escape aids were issued. This statement will be signed by the Group Escape Intelligence Officer and will bear the signature of approval of the Group Commander. Command Headquarters will act as the final reviewing authority as to the acceptance of the statement, and if necessary will direct further investigation.

c. Monthly Report: Each tactical group will submit this report to Command headquarters as of last day of each month in the form shown in attached sample Form No. 1; reports will reach Command headquarters by the fifth day of succeeding month. Each Command will submit a consolidated report to this headquarters in the form shown in attached sample Form No. 2; consolidate reports will reach this headquarters by the tenth day of succeeding month.

4. PROCESSING OF RETURNED ESCAPEES AND EVADERS

a. Upon return from enemy occupied territory, all escapees and evaders will be forwarded thru First Tactical Air Force for final processing.

5. SECURITY MEASURES

Adequate security measures will be enforced in connection with storage of escape aids, briefings, lectures, and for the safeguarding of intelligence reports on personnel temporarily in safe hands. Intelligence reports on the status of individuals in enemy territory reported temporarily safe are in no way to be construed as a change of battle casualty status. Security measures adopted will comply with AR 380-5, dated March 1944, "Safeguarding Military Information" and in compliance with any other supplemental directives issued by this or higher headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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MONTHLY REPORT OF

ESCAPE PURSES AND FOOD KITS

From _____ Group _____ For Month Ending _____

ESCAPE PURSES

Inventory	Total	Combat	Other	Returned	Present	Total	Total
Beginning	Received	Losses	Losses	To _____	Inventory	Unserv-	Serviceable
Month				Cmd		iceable	

Total * (shortage) or * (overage): _____

* Delete one.

FOOD KITS:

On Hand	Losses	Overage	Shortage
Now	This Month		

I certify that all losses of Escape Purses by this Group are supported by signed statement, copy of which has been forwarded to Command Headquarters.

Name : _____

Rank : _____

Title: _____

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MONTHLY CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF
ESCAPE PURSES AND FOOD KITS

From: _____ Command For Month Ending _____

ESCAPE PURSES:

Inventory	Total	Combat	Other	Returned to Present	Total	Total
Beginning	Received	Losses	Losses	1st FACAF	Inventory	Service-
Month					Service-	able

Total * (shortage) or * (overage): _____
* Delete one

Unit Inventory Status:

Group	Inventory	Number	Combat	Other	Overage	Shortage
	Close of	Purses Un-	Losses	Losses		
	Month	Serviceable				

FOOD KITS:	On Hand	Losses	Overage	Shortage
	Now	This Month		

I certify that all losses reported by subordinate units of this Command are supported by signed statements on file in this Headquarters

REMARKS:

Name : _____

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MEMORANDUM)

6 February 1945

NO. 45-5A)

ESCAPE INTELLIGENCE

(Per 4, Memorandum 45-5, this headquarters,
23 December 1944, is amended as follows:)

4. PROCESSING OF RETURNED ESCAPEES AND EVADERS

a. Escapees, Evaders, Bail-outs and survivors of crashed aircraft from other air forces will report to the PW & X Det, USSTAF, Hotel Francis, 100 Rue Lafayette, Paris. Upon arrival at a headquarters of this command, they will be furnished such medical attention and personal supplies as they may require. Orders will be issued and arrangements made for transportation direct to Paris by most practical means available.

b. Reports have been received that the enemy may attempt to introduce agents by having them pose as escapees or evaders. Returning crew members frequently will be without proper credentials, and adequate identification locally is impractical. Detailed interrogation and identification therefore will be handled at the PW & X Det in Paris. In order to provide reasonable security under these circumstances and permit the early detection of enemy agents, the A-2 Duty Officer of this headquarters will be informed immediately of the name, serial number, unit, time and route of departure for Paris on each individual. This information will be relayed to the PW & X Det, Paris, where appropriate action can be initiated in event of non-arrival.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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CAPTURE INTELLIGENCE
INTERROGATION OF AIR PRISONERS OF WAR
EXAMINATION OF ENEMY EQUIPMENT

1. PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CAPTURED ENEMY AIR FORCE PERSONNEL

a. When air prisoners have been captured, a report will be made immediately by the most expeditious means available to the A-2 Duty officer, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force who will inform appropriate office.

b. The report will state as accurately as possible the location of the prisoners and whether or not they are wounded.

c. All personal effects and documents will be taken from the prisoners immediately and held in an envelope for the interrogation officers. No souvenirs will be taken from prisoners. Prisoners will be segregated and held until the arrival of an air interrogation officer or the receipt of disposal instructions in reply to the message.

d. Interrogation of air prisoners by anyone, regardless of rank, is specifically prohibited except for air interrogation officers who are shown to be such by special passes issued by SHAEF, supported by official identity cards.

2. PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

a. In the event of enemy documents only being received or found, they will be sent immediately to A-2, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force for forwarding to proper authority. Documents will be accompanied by a statement as follows:

- (1) When, where and how received.
- (2) Whether they are thought to be related to any enemy aircraft crash of which details can be given.

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b. Definition of Document. The term document includes maps, sketches, photos, orders, technical manuals and instructions, code books, war diaries, newspapers, notebooks, service records, payrolls, shoulder straps or other identifying marks on individual uniforms and equipment, post cards and letters, records of headquarters and of post and telegraph offices, telephone exchanges, banks, police stations and municipal and government offices, also anything else similar class which may contain information relative to the hostile army or country.

3. PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CAPTURED ENEMY AIR MATERIAL

a. Guards will be mounted by the nearest Army unit on all crashed enemy aircraft and captured enemy air material pending the arrival of a representative of the Capture Intelligence Section, A-2.

b. As soon as the existence of a crashed enemy aircraft or captured enemy air material is known to any air force unit, a report giving a brief description of the aircraft and its location will be made by the most expeditious means available to the A-2 Duty officer, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force, who will notify the capture intelligence section, A-2.

c. Tampering with, or taking souvenirs from any crashed aircraft is specifically prohibited.

d. Excepting personnel, nothing will be removed from crashed aircraft unless fire is imminent, when maps and documents will be removed and safeguarded until turned over to an air interrogation officer.

e. Capture intelligence officers are responsible for the disposition of enemy aircraft and air material.

f. Enemy aircraft may be removed prior to receiving authority from capture intelligence officers only when blocking an important highway, railway or forming an obstruction on an air route.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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No. 45-7)

INTELLIGENCE

30 April 1945.

PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE

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1. GENERAL. The purpose of this memorandum is

- a. To define photo reconnaissance objectives and requirements for aerial photography and photographic interpretation.
- b. To establish standards of performance for aerial photography.
- c. To provide uniform operating procedures pertaining to photographic activity.

2. OBJECTIVES. The photographic agencies of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be organized, equipped, and trained to accomplish the following objectives:

- a. Provide photographic reconnaissance and interpretation to meet the combat intelligence requirements of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and 6th Army Group.
- b. To provide photography required by ground forces for tactical interpretation, terrain study, operational planning and tactical briefing.
- c. To provide target material for combat units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).
- d. To execute damage assessment reconnaissance and interpretation reports in connection with all air attacks within the operational area of the air force.
- e. To provide photographic material of historical and publicity significance.
- f. To record photographically attacks with bombs, gun fire and rockets for analysis of tactics, technique and results.

3. ORGANIZATION AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS.

- a. Tactical Air Commands. The photographic agencies of each Tactical Air Command will be organized to provide for the following specific requirements.

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- (1) Aerial photography in accordance with requests from (a) higher echelons through the air force, (b) ground elements through the army concerned, and (c) other components of the air force.
- (2) Reproduction of photographic prints, duplicate negatives, mosaics, overlays and map substitutes as requested by authorized ground and air elements for tactical planning, briefing and target material.
- (3) Interpretation facilities for producing intelligence on (a) enemy airfields, (b) enemy communications, (c) supply installations, (d) flak defenses, and (e) damage assessment. The dissemination of photo intelligence will include an immediate interpretation report to be dispatched by fast wire agency within 12 hours of the return of the reconnaissance aircraft. More detailed interpretation, where required, may be disseminated by less urgent means.
- (4) Photographic record of attacks with bombs, gun fire and rockets.

b. Medium Bomb Wing. The impact area of all targets attacked by bombardment units of this Air Force will be photographed whenever practicable from attacking aircraft during the bombing run. Negatives will be processed and printed upon return of the aircraft to provide immediate intelligence on the results of operations and for use in operational research and training. In addition, every advantage will be taken of opportunities to secure reconnaissance photographs of areas of military significance on or near routes to and/or from the target, consistent with the accomplishment of the primary mission. Pre-flight study by intelligence officers and special briefing of the crews of camera-equipped aircraft will be employed to insure maximum effective coverage of such subjects as enemy airdromes, landing grounds, marshalling yards, harbors, large depots, industrial installations and previously attacked targets. Coastal landfalls, rivers and prominent geographical features will also be photographed to assist in post-flight analysis of navigation and tactics. Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be furnished the following:

- (1) Selected set of contact prints showing the development of each attack.
- (2) A first phase strike assessment interpretation report, indicating the location of the area of the bomb strikes, incidents such as fires, explosions and visible evidence of damage or destruction. Detailed damage assessment will not be attempted from strike photos except in the case of operations against airfields when the number of serviceable aircraft destroyed, probably destroyed and damaged will be estimated by type, classified as fighter and bomber/transport.

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- (3) A bomb fall plot for each attack showing graphically the strike pattern achieved by each group. Bomb plots will be annotated to show the number of the group, name of the target, number and type of bombs dropped, the date and time of attack, a north arrow, the axis of attack and the aiming point for each wave.
- (4) Two sets of prints from selected negatives especially prepared for mounting and display purposes.

4. TITLING OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PDIY).

a. To provide for uniformity and adherence to established practices in this theater of operations, the following standard procedure will be followed in the titling of all aerial still photography obtained by units of this air force.

- (1) The standard titling, placed on the border of each negative, will consist of four items, namely, negative number, sortie number, date, and focal length, and will be followed by a double stroke. Following the double stroke will appear the time of photography and altitude of the aircraft plus any additional information deemed necessary by individual units.

(a) An example of standard titling is as follows:

Negative No.	Sortie Prefix/ Sortie Number	Date	Focal Length of lens in Inches.	Ending with a Double Stroke
3001	US 34/3900	10 Apr 44	24"	//

Negative Number. The following block of negative numbers are to be used:

Negative taken with an oblique camera	0001-0600
" port, front or wing "split" camera	1001-1600
" starboard, front or wing split camera	2001-2600
" port, rear "split" camera	3001-3600
" starboard, rear "split" camera	4001-4600
" rear, vertical camera	5001-5600
" additional rear, vertical camera, rearmost	6001-6600
" front or wing vertical camera	7001-7600
" additional front or wing vertical camera	8001-8600

Note: To facilitate the identification of oblique negatives where more than one oblique camera is carried on a sortie, a letter will be inserted immediately after the negative number indicating the direction relative to the aircraft in which the camera is pointing, i.e., facing port - P, starboard - S, forward - F, rear - R.

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Sortie Prefix/Sortie Number. The sortie prefix number is the squadron number preceded by US in the reconnaissance organizations and the group number preceded by SAV for vertical and SAO for oblique photography in bombardment organizations.

Sortie numbers run from 1-9999. Squadrons will allot a sortie number to each camera-carrying aircraft which becomes airborne on operations.

5. REQUESTS FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

a. Requests for reconnaissance photography will include instructions required for proper execution and for uniformity will be accomplished on the form attached as Appendix 1. Requests requiring interpretations will be accompanied by all available ground information to facilitate the work of the interpreter. Units within the air force may request reconnaissance direct from the appropriate tactical air command with headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) being furnished an information copy of the request.

b. In instances of special requests or when the urgency of the situation dictates, a thoroughly briefed special representative may be dispatched to the appropriate reconnaissance organization to assist in the assignment; and provide incidental information to insure a thorough interpretation report. This is not intended to nullify the procedure for requesting photography and interpretation as outlined in (a) above.

6. DISPATCH OF PHOTOGRAPHY

a. All units required to dispatch photography and/or photographic interpretation reports to this headquarters will address same to Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Attn: AC of S, A-2. Packages will be clearly marked with the name of the sender and labelled "Photography". Such photography will be sent to this headquarters by the fastest means available.

7. SECURITY

a. Aerial photographs will be classified in accordance with their content along the following general lines:

- (1) Aerial photographs used for briefing material which might reveal intentions will be classified SECRET.
- (2) Aerial photographs of territories under our control will be classified CONFIDENTIAL, except vital points or installations which may be classified SECRET.
- (3) All aerial photographs, reconnaissance photos, strike photos of enemy, enemy occupied or dominated areas will be classified RESTRICTED. Interpretations of photographs of enemy areas will be classified and properly graded SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, or RESTRICTED, dependent upon the information contained therein.

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- (4) Aerial photographs no longer having operational significance and containing no information of value to the enemy may be de-classified for release and publication.
- (5) All classified aerial photographs will be kept under review and down-graded as soon as conditions warrant.

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REQUEST FOR PHOTO RECOMMISSANCE

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FROM:

TO : Tactical Air Command, Attn: Recce Co-ordinator.

A. TASK NO OR REF NO _____ C. REQUESTED BY _____

B. DATE & HOUR _____ D. PRIORITY _____

E. DATE & TIME REQUIRED _____

OBJECTIVE, NAME, AND COORDINATES OF TARGET _____

F. TYPE AND SCALE OF PHOTOGRAPHY: VERTICAL SCALE _____

OBLIQUE SCALE _____

G. PURPOSE FOR WHICH PHOTOGRAPHY IS REQUIRED _____

H. DISTRIBUTION: NORMAL _____ OTHER _____

PRINTS _____

INTERPRETATION _____

PLOTS _____

NEGATIVES _____ LIBRARY _____

I. CANCELLATION DATE _____

J. PHOTOGRAPHY TAKEN SINCE _____ WILL SUFFICE.

K. EXISTING PHOTOGRAPHIC COVER TAKEN SINCE ABOVE DATE (IS)(IS NOT) AVAILABLE.

REMARKS

PROGRESS _____ METHOD OF COMMUNICATION USED TO ASSIGN THE MISSION _____
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MEMORANDUM

25 December 1944

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GROUND SECURITY

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1. All organizations and units of this command will establish and maintain a Ground Security Plan, including essential rules and regulations, for adequate defense against ground or air attack.

2. Disposition of personnel and equipment, locations of buildings and bivouac areas, terrain and other factors govern the making of a Ground Security Plan; therefore, a plan adequate for the defense of one unit may not be entirely applicable to another unit, consequently, it will be the responsibility of each unit Commanding Officer to establish and maintain a Ground Security Plan consistent with the military necessity and the means available.

3. At times it may not be necessary to maintain in force a Ground Security Plan in its entirety. However, that part of the plan essential to adequate security must be maintained in force at all times.

4. A Ground Security Plan will incorporate, among other things which may be necessary for the defense of a certain unit, the following:

a. A plan of defense which can be put into force, without delay, in the event of ground or air attack.

b. Adequate guards, both day and night, on all buildings, installations, airfields, supply depots, equipment and bivouac areas.

c. The keeping of gas masks, arms and ammunition available for immediate use, as well as, the proper care and maintenance thereof.

d. The observation and strict enforcement of blackout regulations.

e. A system of Barbed and Countersigns, to be placed in effect whenever essential to the defense of an area, with the provision that all individuals entering such area will obtain from the Commanding Officer the Barbed and Countersign for the particular day or days the visitation will be made.

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f. The use of communications for operational purposes only in the event of attack.

g. Precautionary measures against espionage and saboteurs including the refusal of admission to any military area, establishment, or installation of individuals, either military or civilian, unless properly authorized to enter after careful check of credentials.

5. Periodic inspections will be made to insure the enforcement of Ground Security measures.

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23 April 1945

MEMORANDUM

NO. 50-1)

TRAINING

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAINING FILM SUB-LIBRARIES

1. In accordance with USATF Regulation No. 50-5, dated 8 March 1945, and letter, Headquarters, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, subject: "Establishment of Central and Sub-Film Libraries", dated 18 March 1945, a Training Film Air Force Sub-Library is established at this Headquarters for the control of procurement, distribution and redistribution of Army Air Forces training films and film strips for the benefit of this command. Command Sub-Libraries will be established and maintained by the Commanding Generals, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), XII Tactical Air Command (Rear), and the 42nd Bombardment Wing.

2. All transactions concerning training films and film strips will be made with the Training Officer, A-3 section, this Headquarters.

3. Commanding Generals of Commands indicated in paragraph one (1), will be responsible for the proper distribution of films and film strips, and will appoint a responsible Film Officer. Command Sub-Libraries will insure that all organizations under their control will have ready access to films and film strips, and further institute a system of issue and receipt of films and film strips.

4. Distribution of training films and film strips to the command Sub-Libraries under this Headquarters will be accomplished in the following manner:

a. Initial Distribution: Automatic initial distribution will be made to commands of appropriate new films when such are received at the Air Force Sub-Library.

b. Regular Distribution: Films and film strips will normally be distributed upon request for an adequate period of time. Each shipment will contain a receipt form in duplicate, the original of which will be signed by the command Sub-Library Officer, and returned to the Air Force Sub-Library without delay.

c. Requests for Films: Requests may be made for films either by letter, teletype, or telephone. Commands will not contact sources other than the Air Force Sub-Library established at this Headquarters for the procurement of training films.

(1) All requests will show:

- (a) Title
- (b) Serial Number (if known)
- (c) Date to be shown
- (d) Duration desired

(2) Requests should be submitted at least ten (10) days prior to proposed exhibition. Every effort will be made by the Air Force Sub-Library to furnish films on the dates requested, but owing to a limited number of copies of each film, prompt delivery may not always be possible. In such cases, film will be forwarded at the earliest date.

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d. Return of Films: Films will be returned on or before date shown on receipt. However, an extension of time will be granted if possible, upon request. Particular care will be exercised to return all films in good running condition.

5. Upon receipt of this memorandum, an inventory of all training films and film strips, now in possession of each command will be taken, and the inventory forwarded to the Training Officer, this Headquarters, without delay. The inventory will show:

- a. Title of film or film strip
- b. Serial Number
- c. Number of copies of each

6. Film catalogs listing the films available will be distributed upon receipt by this Headquarters.

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20 November 1944

OPERATIONS

Mud Control on 1st TACAF Airfields

1. Mud control on airfields occupied by this Air Force is a command responsibility which must receive the personal attention of every organization commander. In order that airfields may continue to be operational throughout the winter months a system of traffic control and mud control must be instituted immediately and rigidly enforced from the first day of occupation of every field.

2. On Advance Landing Grounds which are surfaced with pierced Steel Plank, Square Mesh Track, or Prefabricated Hessian Surfacing, it is essential that trucks and other vehicles be confined to established access roads and be prevented from using the runways or taxi tracks. Trucks coming on to the taxi track from the shoulders bring mud onto the taxi track, creating an operational hazard, and break down drainage ditches on the shoulders, impounding water and creating more mud. Heavy truck traffic on any prefabricated surfacing causes pumping action in the subgrade below, brings mud to the surface, deforms the surfacing, and eventually renders the surface non-operational.

3. On fields which are surfaced with concrete or other hard surface, it is essential that all traffic remain on the hard surface at all times. Trucks going off or coming on the edge of the concrete tend to break down the edges and the mud which is brought on is deleterious to the surfacing.

4. To accomplish the above it is necessary that on every field a definite plan for routing of vehicles be effected, requiring in some cases one way roads, or necessary turnouts for passing points. A course in driver instruction must be instituted to inculcate in every driver the necessity for preventing mud by keeping to the roads and avoiding the usual practice of cutting corners. Group Commanders will cooperate with the Aviation Engineer forces present at their fields in the accomplishment of the above, and consider their recommendations in formulating their plan for traffic control.

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OPERATIONS

24 January 1945

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR 1945

1. Paragraph 6, a, Section II, Memo 55-2, this Headquarters, dated 30 November 1944, is amended by adding:

(h) Diving from out of the sun from any height on an airfield or other specified vulnerable area unless clearly recognized as friendly by appearance or by showing correct recognition signals.

2. So much of paragraph 1, b, (1), (c), Section IV, Memo 55-2, this Headquarters, dated 30 November 1944, as reads: "Aircraft positively recognized as friendly which commit a hostile act will not be engaged" is amended to read: "Aircraft recognized as friendly which commit a hostile act will be engaged".

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FLYING SAFETY

Operation of aircraft under unfavorable
weather conditions.

1. It is desired that more care be exercised in conducting non-essential flights during periods of bad weather.
2. With present limited navigational aids in this area, it is necessary to be more conservative on flights that may involve instrument flying conditions.

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SUPPLY PROCEDURE

1. GENERAL:

a. Established channels of supply will be simple and as far as possible uniform for all classes of supply. Duplication of supply establishments will be avoided. Supply channels do not ordinarily coincide with command channels, but are direct from one supply point to another. Requisitions normally follow supply channels and not command channels. Control and supervision will be exercised by First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) headquarters by constant personal check of the supply system and by reports on stock levels, critical items and supply operation. Such reports will be kept to a minimum.

2. a. Standard channels of requisition will be as follows:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Tactical Unit	Service Group or Service Team
Service Group or Service Team	Air Depot Group or a supply point designated by Command Headquarters
Air Depot Group	Base Air Depot or other sources designated by Command Headquarters.

The designation of a supply point other than the Air Depot Group does not relieve the Commanding Officer of the Air Depot Group from responsibilities of adequate supply to units attached to First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

b. (1) Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) will designate the units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) which will be serviced by each Air Depot Group, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

3. a. In order that all concerned may be familiar with sources of all classes of supply, the attached form will be accomplished as indicated and one copy furnished this headquarters by units concerned.

FORM ACCOMPLISHED BY

Service Group or Service Team

Air Depot Group

FOR

First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Groups and units serviced.

Service Group and units serviced.

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b. The attached form will be accomplished based on advice surveys of supply sources and will be prepared so that when a combat or service unit moves into a new location a representative of the unit charged with accomplishing the form will be on hand to deliver same to the incoming unit and direct supply officers to sources of supply.

c. In cases where the tactical situation makes it necessary for units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) to move from one location to another without prior notice to a Service Group or Team, it will be the responsibility of such units to request advice from the nearest service group. Such requests will be complied with and promptly reported through command channels.

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SUPPLY SOURCES
(See Current Memo 65-1, HQ 1ST TACAFSC)

1. Unit Covered _____ Serial No. _____
2. Location of Unit _____ Shipment No. _____
3. Attached _____ APO No. _____
4. Location of Railroad _____ Command, APO No. _____

ITEM	SUPPLY POINT	SUBMIT REQUESTS TO	REMARKS
<u>IR CORPS SUPPLIES</u>			
Rations			
Clothing / Equipment			
General Supplies			
M/T Fuel and Oil			
Salvage Disposal			
Shoe & Clothing Repair			
Laundry & Dry Cleaning			
Salvage			
Burials			
<u>IR CORPS SUPPLIES</u>			
Aviation Gas & Oil			
Technical Supplies			
Oxygen			
Acetylene			
Breathing Oxygen			
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<u>ORDNANCE SUPPLIES</u>				
Bombs and Ammunition				
M/T Spare Parts				
Vehicle Spares				
General Supplies				
<u>SIGNAL SUPPLIES</u>				
Airborne				
General				
<u>ENGINEER SUPPLIES</u>				
Utility Services				
Engineer Equipment				
Engineer Supplies				
Camouflage Supplies				
Fire Fighting Equipment				
<u>MEDICAL SUPPLIES</u>				
<u>CHEMICAL WARFARE SUPPLIES</u>				
Class II & IV Supplies				
Class V (Training Supplies)				
Class V (Bulk Chemicals & Incend)				
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPLIES</u>				
Blank Forms				

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.

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MEMORANDUM

SUPPLY

NO. 65-2)

Appointment of Purchasing
and Contracting Officers

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1. Pursuant to the authority contained in ETO SOP No. 10F Headquarters, ETOUSA, dated 23 September 1944, paragraph II, 2, a, the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force is authorized to designate Purchasing and Contracting Officers who will have the authority to procure supplies, equipment, facilities and services for this Command in occupied and Liberated territories in the European Theater of Operations, and to sub-delegate the same authority for appointment of Purchasing and Contracting Officers to organizations under the administrative control of this Headquarters.

2. For the purposes set forth in paragraph 1, above, authority is granted to Commands, Air Depot Groups, and Service Groups to designate Purchasing and Contracting Officers by special orders as may be necessary but not in excess of one per Command Headquarters (for all units attached immediately thereto) Air Depot Groups Headquarters and Service Groups. On all possible occasions, use will be made of the service of the Purchasing and Contracting Officer of the appropriate Service Group. Appointees may be designated Class "A" Agent Finance Officers under a separate paragraph of the same order.

3. Officers being so officially appointed as Purchasing and Contracting Officers will acquaint themselves thoroughly with the contents of ETO-SOP No. 10F, Subject: "Field Procurement by US Forces in France", dated 23 September 1944 and "Administrative and Payment of Wages for Civilian Labor in France", File AG 230 x 248 - PUB-GD, Headquarters ETOUSA, dated 14 October 1944.

4. Special Orders designating Purchasing and Contracting Officers will be substantially in the form as set forth in sample copy, attached. Such Special Orders should be issued in extract form as indicated and will bear the signature of the appointee.

5. Each appointee will deliver to the Disbursing Officer at his station one copy of each order, bearing his signature; three (3) copies of each order, bearing the signature of the appointee, will be returned by all units mentioned in paragraph 2, above, this Headquarters, Attn: Assistant Chief of Staff, A-4, who will transmit one copy each to General Purchasing Agent, ETO APO 887, and Fiscal Director, ETO, APO 887, retaining one copy for his records.

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By Command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt Col., Air Corps
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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EXTRACT

1. Pursuant to the authority contained in Memorandum No. 65-2, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov), 21 November 1944, 1st Lt. John Doe, O-34567, AC, is designated Group Purchasing and Contracting Officer for Procurement in Occupied and Liberated Territories in the European Theater of Operations, with authority delegated to him as contained in ETO SOP Regulation No. 10F, Headquarters, ETOUSA, dated 23 September 1944, to purchase, rent and requisition supplies, equipment, facilities, and services in accordance with, and limited by the provisions of above mentioned ETO SOP. Authority is further delegated to him to purchase, rent, and requisition in emergencies all other items required by U.S. Forces. Authority is further delegated under A.G. letter 1 July 1944 (A G 121 Op FD) to incur obligations against FD 2A 114 Funds, in such amounts as are permitted under the above mentioned ETO SOP.

2. Under the provisions of Paragraph 3a, AR 35-320, 17 June 1943, 1st Lt. John Doe, O-34567, AC, is appointed Class "A" Agent Finance Officer for Captain John Doe, O-187897, FD, Disbursing Officer, AAF Sta __, for the purpose of making prompt payment for items purchased by him in his official capacity as Group Purchasing and Contracting Officer, Occupied and Liberated territories in the European Theater of Operations. 1st Lt. John Doe, O-34567, AC is authorized to secure an advance of funds from Captain John Doe, O-187897, FD, in an amount not to exceed ---(\$---).

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

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APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AND
CONTRACTING OFFICERS

Paragraph 5 of Memorandum No. 65-2, dated 25 November 1944, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), is amended to rescind the words "this Headquarters, Attn: Assistant Chief of Staff, A-4," and substitute therefore "Fiscal Officer, Headquarters, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov)".

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

SCRAP

1. When it can be ascertained by visual inspection that an item of equipment is beyond economical repair, such item will not be shipped to repair facilities but will be disposed of as scrap after removing all serviceable parts.

a. SCRAP: An item will be considered "Scrap" when it is not returnable, repairable, re-usable, but contains useful and reclaimable materials. Examples are mixed scrap metal, empty small arms cases, lumber and parachute silk.

(1) All scrap will be segregated as follows:

Metal, ferrous and mixed, scrap
Metal, non-ferrous other than fired brass cases
Electric Cable and Insulated Wire
Aluminum
Transparent Plastics, Plexiglass
Propeller Blades (Beyond repair)
Spark Plugs - Aero (Beyond repair)
Engines - Burnt out
Paper
Lumber

2. All scrap when segregated will be held in salvage dumps on or near airfields until such time as disposal instructions are furnished by the Communications Zone.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE
DAILY SUPPLY STATUS REPORT

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1. In order to insure stock levels of fuel and ammunition adequate for daily tactical needs, a Daily Supply Status Report as directed herein will be prepared by all Service Teams of this Command, 1926th Ordnance Ammunition Co., and Fourth Port Intransit Depot.

2. Effective 28 April 1945, the present Daily Ammunition report and POL Daily Stock Level Report will be discontinued and replaced by the Daily Supply Status Report.

3. The Daily Supply Status Report will be prepared each evening to reflect the status of stocks at the air strip after the last major tactical mission has been flown for the day.

4. SECTION I of the report is devoted to Ordinance items of supply. The Ammunition Officer of the Ordnance S&M Company is charged with the responsibility for complete, accurate, and timely preparation of this section of the report in the form as indicated in inclosure #1 to this directive. He will indicate the correct "as of" time of the report, and will deliver it to the Service Team Statistical Officer at the station.

5. SECTION II of the report is concerned with POL items of supply. The Service Team Air Corps Supply Officer is charged with the responsibility for complete, accurate, and timely preparation of this section of the report in the form as indicated in Inclosure #2 to this directive. He will indicate the correct "as of" time of the report, and will deliver it to the Service Team Statistical Officer at the station.

6. The Service Team Statistical Officer is charged with the responsibility for timely transmission of the report in the form as indicated in the following paragraph. He will forward the report by secret operational priority teletype in the clear, addressed to the Statistical Control Office, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (F-1 AAT), in such time as will insure its arrival by 0800 hours the following morning.

7. The teletype message must be clearly and completely identified as follows: "Daily Supply Status Report from _____ (indicate strip number and telephone switch-board code name), as of _____ hours, _____ April 1945". The next entry will be: "SECTION I", following which status lines will be coded from the form made per inclosure #1 hereto. Status lines will be prepared for each line of the form containing a positive entry. Negative lines will not be transmitted. Coding for teletype transmission will be accomplished as follows: The first number of the teletype status line will represent the appropriate line number of the form. The second number will represent the entry in column "A" on that line, the third number

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will represent the entry in column "B" on that line, the fourth number will represent the entry in column "C" on that line, and the fifth number will represent the entry in column "D" on that line. The first number of each status line will be followed by a diagonal; the remaining numbers will be separated by dashes. A typical status line would appear as follows:

10/25-C-12-13.

When referred to the appropriate printed form for decoding, this line would reveal that for item 10 of SECTION I of the report, 25 is the balance carried forward from the previous report; there have been no receipts of item 10 since the previous report, and that 12 have been expended, leaving a balance on hand for this report of 13. Succeeding status lines will be prepared in the same manner for all other lines of the form bearing positive entries. The teletype line following the last status line of SECTION I, will bear the entry "SECTION II". Status lines for this section will be prepared in the same manner as for the preceding section, the information being drawn from the form prepared per inclosure #2 herein.

8. For the Fourth Fort Intransit Depot and the 1926th Ordnance Ammunition Co., a 2200 hour status will suffice. These organizations will identify their teletype reports by dump location and name of Organization.

9. Information required for items 9 through 13 of SECTION II will be furnished to the Service Team Statistical Officer by the Chemical Co. Air Operations.

10. The tactical necessity for cooperation between the agencies responsible for preparation and transmission of the Daily Supply Status Report to the end that it is prepared accurately and properly; that it represents a complete and true station status, and that it arrives at its destination on time, cannot be over-emphasized.

11. Any instructions in conflict with the provisions of this directive are rescinded.

By command of Brigadier General WILLIAMS:

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NEIL M. MATZGER,
Lt. Col., ASD,
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Colonel, Air Corps,
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SECTION I
DAILY SUPPLY STATUS REPORT
ORDNANCE ITEMS

ITEM	A				B	C	D
	BALANCE	RECEIVED	EXPD	BALANCE			
	LAST RPT			ON HAND			
1. Bomb, 100 lb M-30 AN-M30A1 (C/T Fin Assy)							
2. Wire, Arming							
3. Bomb, 150 lb, T1							
4. Fin Assy, (Same as M62)							
5. Wire, Arming							
6. Bomb, 250 lb AN-M57, AN-M57A1							
7. Fin Assy, F/AN-M57							
8. Wire, Arming							
9. Bomb, 500 lb, M43							
10. Fin Assy, F/M43							
11. Bomb, 500 lb AN-M64, AN-M64A1							
12. Bomb, 500 lb, AN-M64, AN-M64A1 Comp B							
13. Fin, Assy, F/AN-M64							
14. Wire, Arming							
15. Bomb, 1000 lb, M44							
16. Fin Assy, F/M44							
17. Bomb, 1000 lb, AN-M65, AN-M65A1							
18. Bomb, 1000 lb, AN-M65, AN-M65A1 Comp B							
19. Fin Assy, F/AN-M65							
20. Wire, Arming							
21. Bomb, 2000 lb, M34							
22. Fin, Assy, F/M34							
23. Bomb, 2000 lb, AN-M66, AN-M66A1							
24. Bomb, 2000 lb, AN-M66, AN-M66A1 Comp B							
25. Fin Assy F/AN-M66							
26. Wire, Arming							
27.							
28.							
29. Bomb, 500 lb, AN-M58 SAP							
30. Fin Assy, F/AN-M58							
31. Wire, Arming							
32. Bomb, 1000 lb, AN-M58 SAP							
33. Fin Assy, F/AN-M58							
34. Wire, Arming							
35.							
36. Bomb, Frag, 10 lb, M83 (Jafer)							
37. Cluster Adapter M83							
38. Bomb, Frag, 200 lb, M81							
39. Bomb, Frag, 200 lb, M81 Comp B							
40. Fin, Assy, F/M81							
41. Wire, Arming							
42. Bomb, Frag, 90 lb, M82							
43. Bomb, Frag, 90 lb, M82 Comp B							
44. Fin, Assy, F/M82							
45. Wire, Arming							
46. Cluster Adapter, M44							
47. Bomb, Frag, Cluster, M44							
48. Bomb, Frag, Cluster, M4							
49. Bomb, Frag, Cluster, M26							
50. Bomb, Frag, Cluster, M27							

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ITEM	BALANCE LAST RPT	RECEIVED	EXP	BALANCE ON HAND
51. Bomb, Frag. Cluster, M28				
52.				
53.				
54.				
55. Bomb, Smoke, W.P. 100 lb, M47A2				
56. Hurster, M				
57.				
58.				
59. Bomb, Practice, AF-138A2				
60. Charge, Spotting, Assy, M41				
61. Wire, Arming				
62.				
63. Bomb, AC Wickle, No. 2 Mk 1				
64.				
65.				
66.				
67.				
68. Fuze, Bomb, M100.1 .025				
69. Fuze, Bomb, M100.2 .025				
70. Fuze, Bomb, M101.1 .025				
71. Fuze, Bomb, M101.2 .025				
72. Fuze, Bomb, M102.1 .025				
73. Fuze, Bomb, M102.2 .025				
74. Fuze, Bomb, M103				
75. Fuze, Bomb, M103				
76. Fuze, Bomb, M111 (Dash Time)				
77. Fuze, Bomb, M111A2 (Dash Time)				
78. Fuze, Bomb, M112 8-11				
79. Fuze, Bomb, M112A1, 8-15				
80. Fuze, Bomb, M113 8-11				
81. Fuze, Bomb, M113A1, 8-15				
82. Fuze, Bomb, M114, 8-11				
83. Fuze, Bomb, M114A1, 8-15				
84. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 1 hr.				
85. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 2 hr.				
86. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 6 hr.				
87. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 12 hr.				
88. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 24 hr.				
89. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 36 hr.				
90. Fuze, Bomb, M123, 72 hr.				
91. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 1 hr.				
92. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 2 hr.				
93. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 6 hr.				
94. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 12 hr.				
95. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 24 hr.				
96. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 36 hr.				
97. Fuze, Bomb, M124, 72 hr.				
98. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 1 hr.				
99. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 2 hr.				
100. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 6 hr.				
101. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 12 hr.				
102. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 24 hr.				
103. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 36 hr.				
104. Fuze, Bomb, M125, 72 hr.				
105. Fuze, Bomb, M126.				

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	EX-100E LIST RPT	RECEIVED	EXPD	SAINTOR ON HAND
106. Fuze, Bomb, 112641				
107.				
108. Fuze, Bomb, 1135 (Tech Time)(T-56)				
109. Fuze, Bomb, 1-139, .01				
110. Fuze, Bomb, 1-140, .025				
111.				
112.				
113. Fuze, Bomb, VT, T-5031				
114. Fuze, Bomb, VT, T-5031				
115. Fuze, Bomb, VT, T-5101				
116. Primer Detonator, 111, Non-Delay				
117. Primer Detonator, 111, .01				
118. Primer Detonator, 111, .025				
119. Primer Detonator, 111, .01				
120. Primer Detonator, 116, 4-5				
121. Primer Detonator, 116, 4-11				
122. Primer Detonator, 116, 4-5				
123. Primer Detonator, 116, 4-15				
124.				
125. Clip, Safety, Arming Wire (Fahnestock)				
126. Ferrule, Arming Wires				
127. Loop, Swivel, 1/2"				
128. Wire, Arming, .031" Diam (Collis)				
129. Wire, Arming, .031" Diam (Collis)				
130. Hook and cable adapter, 112 (Short)				
131.				
132. Target, Clay				
133. Extension, Fuze 9"				
134. Extension, Fuze 18"				
135. 4-1/2" Rocket, A.C. 10, 18, 18.2				
136. Fuze, PD Rocket 1141, 1142				
137. Launcher (Clus of Tubes) 110, T30, T31.				
138. 5" HVAR Head 1k 1 or 1k 2				
139. 3-1/4" HVAR Motor, 1k 7				
140. Fuze, PD 1143 or 1149				
141. 5" HVAR FS Head, 1k 5 or 1k 6 or 1k 12				
142. 5" HVAR Motor 1k 1, 1k 2 or 1k 11				
143. 2-1/4" Motor 1k 10 or 1k 11				
144. 2-1/2" Head 1k 1 or 1k 3				
145.				
146.				
147. Cart, Cal..30, Carbine				
148. Cart, Cal..30, Ball 5rc.				
149.				
150.				
151. Cart, Cal..303, AP Bolted				
152. Cart, Cal..303, Ball				
153. Cart, Cal..303, Incendiary.				
154. Cart, Cal..303, A.P.				
155. Links, Cal.303				
156.				
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159. Cart, Cal..45, Ball				

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ITEM	RECEIVED	EXPL	BALANCE ON HAND
160.			
161. Cart, Cal..50, API 18 (Linked)			
162. Cart, Cal..50, AP-T, (M-1)			
163. Cart, Cal..50, API-T (1-1-1-1-1)			
164. Cart, Cal..50, API-T (M-1)			
165. Cart, Cal..50, AP-T (2-2-1)			
166.			
167.			
168. Cart, Cal..50, API 18 (Bulk)			
169. Cart, Cal..50, Tracer.			
170. Links, Cal..50, 12			
171.			
172.			
173. Shell, 20 M, S/P Tracer			
174. Shell, 20 M, S/P			
175. Shell, 20 M, TBI			
176. Links, 20 M			
177.			
178.			
179. Shell, Shotgun, 12 Ga.			
180.			
181.			
182. Signal, Aircraft, Red Star, 114			
183. Signal, Aircraft, White Star, Blinker.			
184. Parachute, 115			
185. Signal, Aircraft, S/S R, M-134			
186. Signal, Aircraft, S/S Y, M-135			
187. Signal, Aircraft, S/S G, M-136			
188. Signal, Aircraft, D/S RR, M-137			
189. Signal, Aircraft, D/S, Y, M-138			
190. Signal, Aircraft, D/S, GO, M-139			
191. Signal, Aircraft, D/S, RX, M-140			
192. Signal, Aircraft, D/S, RG, M-141			
193. Signal, Aircraft, D/S, GY, M-142			
194. Signal, Aircraft, S/S, R, M-143			
195. Signal, Aircraft, S/S, Y, M-144			
196. Signal, Aircraft, S/S, G, M-145			
197. Signal, Aircraft, 153			
198. Signal, Aircraft, 154			
199. Signal, Aircraft, 155			
200. Signal, Aircraft, 156			
201. Signal, Aircraft, 157			
202. Signal, Aircraft, 158			
203.			
204.			
205. Light, Signal, Very, 1k II White			
206. Light, Signal, Very, 1k II Red			
207.			
208.			
209. Signal Ground, White Star, Parachute, 117			
210. Signal Ground, White Star, Cluster, 118			
211. Signal, Ground, Green Star, Parachute, 119			

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SECTION II
DAILY SUPPLY STATUS REPORT
POL ITEMS

LINE NUMBER	ITEM	A	B	C	D
		BALANCE LAST REPORT	REC'D	ISSUED	PRESENT BALANCE
1	100 Oct. Bulk Gas				
2	100 Oct. Packaged Gas				
3	1100 Grade Avn Oil				
4	1120 Grade Avn Oil				
5	75 Gal Jett Fuel Tanks				
6	108 Gal Jett Fuel Tanks				
7	150 Gal Jett Fuel Tanks				
8	165 Gal Jett Fuel Tanks				

Following items will be furnished to the Service Team Statistical Officer by
the Chemical Co. Air Operations Personnel:

9	Napalin Gel				
10	M-17 Incendiary cluster				
11	M-76 Incendiary Bomb				
12	M-47 W F Smoke Bomb				
13	M-47 Incendiary Bomb				

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24 November 1944.

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SERVICE CENTER ORGANIZATION

1. Service Groups of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will operate as service centers as provided in paragraph 4, AAF Regulation 65-1. When more than two airdromes form a geographical cluster or clutch, the senior Service Group Commander will form a Service Center composed of Service Groups forming the cluster.

2. The Commanding Officer of the cluster will in addition to commanding his own Service Group, perform the following duties:

a. Operate a transportation section which will have control of all service command motor transport. By shifting truck assignments or by operation of a pool consisting of available vehicles in service and combat units within the cluster he will obtain maximum results in the transportation responsibilities of the service center with special reference to the following:

- (1) Pre stocking new airdromes with aviation P.O.L., bombs and ammunition.
- (2) Maintaining levels of aviation P.O.L. bombs and ammunition on airdromes.
- (3) Maintaining stocks of Class I and III supplies.
- (4) Returning reparable parts, to the Air Depot Group or other designated unit.
- (5) Hauling scrap metal to designated Army or Communication Zone dumps.
- (6) Moving service and combat units to new locations.
- (7) Redistributing stocks remaining on abandoned fields.

The method of using available vehicles will be left to the discretion of the Service Center Commander. Certain vehicles will remain with each unit for internal maintenance, some units may be able to maintain stocks on airdromes most effectively by retaining vehicles for the purpose, others by placing vehicles in a pool. Vehicles of one unit may be used for movement or other support of any other unit. It has been determined that combat group commanders will make available those vehicles not required for housekeeping.

b. Temporarily move personnel among the Service Center units when peak loads require.

c. Insure that proper arrangements are in effect for supply and maintenance of all air force or attached units in the cluster area.

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d. Represent this Headquarters in dealing with the Tactical Commander and his subordinates, taking corrective action when indicated.

e. Call upon this Headquarters when problems arise beyond his capacity for solution.

3. The integrity of Service Groups will continue, the Service Center Commander exercising control through the Commanding Officer's of groups forming the cluster.

4. Requisitions, strength returns, expenditure reports and other routine matters will flow from Service Group Headquarters to the next rear echelon direct as at present and not through Service Center Headquarters.

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MEMORANDUM

NO. 65-5)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

STOCK CONTROL

1. A Stock Control Unit for Air Force Supply and Equipment will be established within the 86th Air Depot Group.

2. The Stock Control Unit will maintain records of all critical items of Air Force Supply and will control the distribution of these items within such Units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), as are served by the 86th Air Depot Group.

3. Lists will be maintained by the Stock Control Unit of such parts as are considered critical for First Tactical Air Force requirements. These lists will be compiled from B.D.M., CUST.F., current critical item lists and all information from supply activities which indicates an unsatisfactory supply level.

4. The 86th Air Depot Group will request any necessary reports from the Service Units, keeping these reports to a minimum consistent with insuring efficient control of critical items. All Stock Control reports requested by the 86th Air Depot Group will be completed and submitted without delay.

5. Pending issuance of new instructions and critical item lists by the 86th Air Depot Group, the Daily Critical Item Report which was formerly submitted to headquarters, 2nd Advanced Air Depot Area will be submitted to the 86th Air Depot Group.

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MEMORANDUM:

NO. 65-61

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

"WAR WEARY" AIRCRAFT

1. Purpose: Tactical aircraft replacements are provided on an allotted basis to groups of this Air Force. In order to provide replacements for tactical aircraft which are permanently unfit for tactical use, it is necessary that such aircraft be officially placed in this category and designated as "War Weary", (WW), aircraft. The purpose of this memorandum is to explain the procedures for redesignating aircraft "War Weary", and for disposing of them after the recommendation for such redesignation has been initiated by a tactical unit in accordance with paragraphs 2b and 2c of this memorandum.

2. Standards: The following standards will be used in determining aircraft to be redesignated as permanently unfit for tactical use.

a. Aircraft which because of obsolescent equipment or other design characteristics are permanently unfit for tactical use.

b. Aircraft which have defects which cannot be corrected, and cause aircraft to be unsafe for operations.

c. Aircraft which because of excessive wear and tear or damage are permanently unfit for tactical use.

3. a. Recommendations for redesignation under paragraph 2a will be initiated by the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command for tactical aircraft under his control, and will be submitted to this headquarters for approval. The decision by this headquarters on such recommendations will be returned directly to the Tactical Air Command.

b. Recommendations for redesignation under paragraphs 2b and 2c will be initiated by tactical units, with complete historical evidence attached, and will be forwarded thru Service Command channels to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), for approval.

4. Procedure: When the recommendation for redesignation, under categories 2b and 2c, has been received by the Service Team, along with the aircraft, the Service Team will forward the original and one copy, (one aircraft per letter), to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maint-

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enance, and will request, therein, to have the aircraft delivered to the Air Depot to which it is assigned for technical control, inclosing a third copy of the letter of recommendation along with complete Historical Records. The Air Depot will perform a thorough inspection of the aircraft, including flight test, to determine whether or not the discrepancies noted in the letter of recommendation can be corrected.

a. When, in the opinion of the Depot Engineering Officer, the aircraft should not be redesignated "War Weary", repair will be undertaken to correct discrepancies noted in the letter of recommendation and a teletype will be initiated to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance, making reference to the original letter of recommendation for redesignation, stating specifically why the aircraft should not be redesignated "War Weary", and recommending that the request for "War Weary" designation be disapproved.

(1) If the recommendation for redesignation is disapproved, the holding organization will retain the aircraft until final approval or disapproval of "War Weary" recommendation is received from the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

b. When, in the opinion of the Depot Engineering Officer, the aircraft should be redesignated "War Weary", a letter (or teletype) will be initiated to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance, making reference to the original letter of recommendation for redesignation and stating specifically why the aircraft should be redesignated "War Weary" and recommending that the request for redesignation be approved.

(1) If the recommendation for redesignation is approved, this headquarters will notify the units concerned by teletype and the holding organization will comply with paragraph 5, this memorandum.

5. Aircraft which have become permanently unfit for tactical use because of age, obsolescence, or other reasons will be redesignated as non-tactical aircraft for reporting purposes in accordance with the following procedure:

a. An entry will be made by the responsible unit under remarks on AAF Form 604 to the effect that the aircraft is permanently unfit for tactical use and citing the authority under which the aircraft was so designated.

b. The symbol "WW" will be added as a prefix to the serial number of the aircraft. This symbol will be painted on the aircraft and will be included in all reports and records relating to the aircraft as part of the serial number.

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6. Disposition:

a. If the recommendation for redesignation is disapproved, the holding unit will take the necessary action to return the aircraft to operational status and report the aircraft, by type and serial number, to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance.

b. If the recommendation for redesignation is approved, this headquarters will report the aircraft, by type and serial number, to the Commanding General, Base Air Depot Area, Air Service Command, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe (stating the category of First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Memorandum 65-6 under which the aircraft was redesignated "War Weary") requesting disposition instructions. When disposition instructions have been received, this headquarters will take the necessary action to have the aircraft ferried, as directed, when notified by the holding unit that the aircraft concerned is flyable.

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27 December 1944

MEMORANDUM:

NO: 65-7

SUPPLY - MAINTENANCE

W-SERIES BOMBSIGHT - C-1 AUTOPILOT

Part I General
Part II Maintenance
Part III Supply

PART I

1. To provide an efficient system of handling maintenance and supply of bombsight and automatic flight control equipment, the following procedure will be adopted.

a. Arrangements have been made with Ninth Air Force whereby units of the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) can utilize existing facilities of the Ninth Air Force for third echelon repair, maintenance and supply of bombsight and automatic flight control equipment.

b. The 91st Air Depot Group, IX Air Force Service Command, maintains a bombsight shop operated by an officer qualified in maintenance of bombsights and allied equipment. This officer is designated as an assistant to the Depot Engineering Officer and Supply Officer and will be responsible to them for third echelon maintenance of bombsights and automatic flight control equipment, maintaining a sufficient level of spare parts for all required maintenance of such equipment.

c. Shipments of maintenance parts for bombsights and allied equipment will be marked in accordance with instructions contained in Technical Order 11-30-21, dated 2 August 1943.

PART II

1. Combat Group bombsight personnel will perform 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance and repair of bombsights and C-1 Autopilots, under supervision of the Armament Officer. Equipment requiring third and fourth echelon maintenance will be forwarded directly to 91st Air Depot Group, IX Air Force Service Command.

2. Personnel of the bombsight shop at 91st Air Depot Group will perform third echelon maintenance and repair on all bombsights and C-1 Autopilots. All equipment requiring fourth echelon maintenance will be forwarded to 1st Base Air Depot, Base Air Depot Area, Air Service Command, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

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M-Series Bombsight * C-1 Autopilot.

PART III

1. Combat Groups are responsible for 1st and 2nd echelon maintenance and will requisition spare parts from 91st Air Depot Group, IX Air Force Service Command.
2. An adequate reserve stock of complete assemblies of bombsights and C-1 autopilots will be maintained at 91st Air Depot Group bombsight shop for issue and exchange to Combat Groups.
3. The 91st Air Depot Group will maintain an adequate stock level of 1st, 2nd and 3rd echelon maintenance spare parts to fulfill requirements.
4. The 91st Air Depot Group Bombsight Officer will requisition supplies direct from Base Air Depot Area, Air Service Command, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe.

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MEMORANDUM
NO. 65-8)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

MONTHLY MATERIEL STATUS REPORT
AND AMMUNITION SUPPLY REPORT

1. GENERAL. Effective with the report as of 20 January 1945, this memorandum supersedes all previous instructions, forms and lists of items used in rendering subject report.

2. MONTHLY MATERIEL STATUS REPORT. a. Reports will be rendered as of the 20th of each month. Reports of "ON HAND" will not be required. All Units will submit shortage lists based on authorized allowances (T/E) and theater authorizations over and above T/E.

b. Reported losses must be broken down to reflect whether the loss affects strictly the separate component or the complete item. It is suggested that all such cases mentioned be so noted in the remarks column for the quantity of each item involved.

c. Losses to be reported include, but are not limited to, battle losses (including materiel captured, abandoned, or destroyed); cannibalization, pilferage and items which have become unrepairable and which cannot be made serviceable by theater facilities. When, to assure accurate and complete loss reports, more detailed definition of losses is desirable, such definition will be made through technical channels. Quantities listed under losses will not be cumulative; however, they will include losses experienced but not reported in previous report periods. Losses other than battle losses will be explained by appropriate notes.

d. Parent units having detachments permanently or temporarily at other than the parent station will include the detachments when preparing unit reports, provided the parent unit is responsible for supply of items listed in Monthly Materiel Status Report; otherwise detachment reports will be included in the reports of the station at which it is located.

e. Reports will be submitted for each item of the enclosed lists by separate report for each service. Reports will be forwarded, in duplicate to reach this Headquarters by the 20th of each month on form similar to appendix "F".

f. To facilitate lend lease accounting for supplies to French Forces, First French Air Corps Service Command will consolidate reports of all units of the First French Air Corps attached to First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and forward in duplicate so as to reach Headquarters, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, AAF 590, APO 635, Attention: 31st Statistical Control Unit, not later than 0900 hours the 24th of each month.

3. AMMUNITION SUPPLY REPORT. a. This report will cover the items listed in appendices "G" through "N" and be prepared in accordance with the instructions printed on the reverse side of the forms inclosed as appendices "L", "M", and "N". The sections will be sectionalized (section I, Ground Ord; II Ground CWS; III Air Ord; IV Air CWS, the items of no two sections will be reported on the same sheet.

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b. Reports will be submitted in duplicate to reach this Headquarters by the 20th of each month.

c. The French Air Corps Service Command will consolidate reports of French Units attached to First Tactical Air Force (Prov) in duplicate, with the exception of Section III, Air Ord, which will be prepared in quadruplicate, and submitted to reach Headquarters, Base Air Depot Area, ASC, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe, not later than the 22nd of each month.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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APPENDIX "A"

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LIST OF ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN THE
MONTHLY MATERIEL STATUS REPORT

CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE

Item No.	Item	Unit
1.	ALCOHOL, Polyvinyl, 1-ton Cont., M1	Lb
2.	AGENT, Decon., Non-corrosive, M1	Gal
3.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, 3-gal, M1	Ea
4.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, 1 1/2 qt. capacity, M2 (Including those mtd in Veh.)	Ea
5.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, P.D., M3A1 (Truck Mounted)	Ea
6.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, P.D., M3A2 (Truck Mounted)	Ea
7.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, P.D., M4 (Truck Mounted)	Ea
8.	APPARATUS, Decontaminating, P.D., M4 (Skid Mounted)	Ea
9.	BLEACHING MATERIAL, (Chloride of Lime) (By Grade)	Lb
10.	CANISTER, Collective Protector, M1 (Extra)	Ea
11.	CANISTER, Collective Protector, M2 (Extra)	Ea
12.	CANISTER, Collective Protector, M3 (Extra)	Ea
13.	CART, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, M1A1	Ea
14.	CART, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, Ammunition, M1A1	Ea
15.	CART, 4.2" Chemical Mortar & Ammunition, M1A1	Ea
16.	DETECTOR, Vapor, Pocket, Mk II (British) (Substitute Standard for KIT, HS Vapor Det. M4)	Ea
17.	FLAME THROWER, Portable, M1A1 (or later type; by type)	Ea
18.	FLAME THROWER, Portable, M2-2 (or later type; by type)	Ea
19.	GENERATOR, Smoke, Mechanical, M2 (50 gal)	Ea
20.	IMPREGNITE, Shoe, M1 (8-OZ can)	Ea
21.	IMPREGNITE, ICC-2 (For M1 Impregnating Plant)	Lb
22.	IMPREGNITE, IXXX CC-3 (For M2 Impregnating Plant)	Lb
23.	KIT, Repair, Gas Mask, Universal, M8	Ea
24.	KIT, H Vapor Detector, M4	Ea
25.	KIT, Chemical Agent Detector, M9	Ea
26.	KIT, Fuel Filling for P.F.T., M1A1	Ea
27.	KIT, Service for P.F.T., M1A1	Ea
28.	KIT, Service for P.F.T., M2-2	Ea
29.	MASK, Gas (Combat) Service	Ea
30.	MASK, Gas, Service, Lt. wt.	Ea
31.	MORTAR, Chemical, 4.2" M1A1 w/set accessories	Ea
32.	MORTAR, Chemical, 4.2" M2, w/set accessories	Ea
33.	OINTMENT, Protective, M1, M2, M3, M4, (3-oz tube)	Ea
34.	OINTMENT, Protective, M4, with Special Case (3-oz tube)	Ea
35.	KIT, Ointment, Protective, M5	Ea
36.	PROTECTOR, Collective, M2 (Field) (Semi-fixed)	Ea
37.	PROTECTOR, Collective, M2A1 (Field) (Semi-fixed)	Ea
38.	PROTECTOR, Collective, M3 (Portable)	Ea
39.	SACK, Gas Resistant, M1 and British	Ea
40.	SET, Equipment, Maintenance and Repair, M1	Ea
41.	SOLVENT, Impregnite, I, Non-Volatile, (Paraffin Chlorinated)	Lb
42.	SOLVENT, Impregnite, I, Volatile, (Acetylene Tetrachloride)	Lb
43.	TRAILER, Chemical Service, M1	Ea
44.	TRUCK, Crane Swinging Boom, M1	Ea

* Each Container contains 4.5 gallons

** Report items in unit of measure as listed.

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CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE (CONT'D)

Item No.	Item	Unit **
45.	ADAPTER, Line Filling, 1-ton Cont., M1	Ea
46.	ALARM, Gas; British	Ea
47.	BEAM; Grab, M1	Ea
48.	BEAM; Hoisting, Airplane, Smoke Tank, M2	Ea
49.	BRUSH, Decontaminating, M1	Ea
50.	CANISTER; Service, M1A2 (Extra)	Ea
51.	CANISTER, Lightweight, M10 & M10A1 (by type)	Ea
52.	CARRIER, Shell, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, M1	Ea
53.	CRANE, Roustabout (Hughes-Keenan)	Ea
54.	CRAYON, Vesicant Detector, M7	Ea
55.	CURTAIN, Gasproof, M1	Ea
56.	DISINFECTANT, Gas Mask, M1 (4-oz bottle)	Ea
57.	EYESHIELD	Ea
58.	KIT; Gas Mask, Waterproofing, M1	Ea
59.	KIT; Repair, Gas Mask, Company, M2	Ea
60.	KIT, Fuel Mixing for P.F.T., M1A1	Ea
61.	LABORATORY, Field, CWS, M2	Ea
62.	LINE; Filling; Chemical Spray Tank; M2	Ea
63.	LINE; Filling, Airplane Smoke Tank, M3	Ea
64.	MASK; Gas; Diaphragm	Ea
65.	MASK; Gas; Optical	Ea
66.	MECHANISM, Valve Replacement, M1	Ea
67.	PAINT; L.V.D.; M5 (4-oz can)	Ea
68.	PAPER; L.V.D.; M5 (Book of 25 sheets)	Ea
69.	PLANT; Impregnating; M1; T of C	Ea
70.	PLANT; Impregnating; M2; T of C	Ea
71.	RESPIRATOR, Dust, M1, M2; M3 or C.T.	Ea
72.	SET, Impregnating, Field, M1	Ea
73.	SIGHT, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, M59	Ea
74.	SIGN; Gas, Warning	Ea
75.	SKID, Barrel, 10 ft., M1	Ea
76.	SLEEVE, Gas Detector	Ea
77.	STAND; Barrel, M7 (for Generator, Smoke, Mechanical)	Ea
78.	STAND; Carrying, Airplane Smoke Tank, M1	Ea
79.	STAND; Holding, Airplane Smoke Tank, M5	Ea
80.	STAND, Platform, Airplane Smoke Tank, M6	Ea
81.	STENCIL, Insignia; CWS Large	Ea
82.	STENCIL, Insignia, CWS Small	Ea
83.	TRACTOR; Crane, M1	Ea
84.	TRAILER, Chemical Handling, M2	Ea
85.	TRUCK, Chemical Service, M1	Ea
86.	WRENCH; Valve Opening (for 1-ton container)	Ea
87.	WRENCH; Valve Removing, M1 (for Type D ton container)	Ea
88.	WRENCH, Valve Removing, M2 (for Type A ton container)	Ea

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LIST OF ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN THE
MONTHLY MATERIAL STATUS REPORT

ENGINEER SERVICE

- | Item No. | Item |
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| 1. | ATTACHMENTS, for Crane, truck mtd, 3/8 c.y. Quickway, SET, consisting of:
1 - Bucket, Clamshell, 3/8 c.y.
1 - Bucket, Dragline, 3/8 c.y.
1 - Hammer, Pile driving, 1200-lbs.
1 - Pile-Drive Leads, 25-ft.
1 - Shovel front assembly
1 - Trailer, 2-wheel, Timpco Model T-8 |
| 2. | ATTACHMENTS, Shovel front assembly for Crane, Crawler mtd, 1/2 c.y. |
| 3. | ATTACHMENTS, Shovel front assembly for Crane, Crawler mtd, 3/4 c.y. |
| 4. | ATTACHMENTS, Shovel, front assembly, for Crane, Crawler, mtd 2 c.y. |
| 5. | Auger, Earth, motorized, gas, engine powered (trailer and skid mtd) |
| 6. | Bridge, Floating, ponton, pneumatic, M-3 |
| 7. | BRIDGE, Ponton, 10-ton. |
| 8. | BRIDGE, Ponton, 25-ton. |
| 9. | BRIDGE, Floating, steel, trestleway, M-2 (and M-1) |
| 10. | COMPRESSOR, Air, skid mtd, GED, 60 C.F.M. (AB) |
| 11. | COMPRESSOR, Air, truck mtd, & skid mtd, GED, 105 c.f.m. |
| 12. | COMPRESSOR, Air, trailer mtd, steel wheels, DED, 315 c.f.m. |
| 13. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, GED, 3-ton, Class I (3/8 c.y. w/crane boom only) |
| 14. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, GED, 5-ton, Class II (1/2 c.y. " " " ") |
| 15. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, DED, 5-ton, Class II (1/2 c.y. " " " ") |
| 16. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, GED, 7-ton, Class III (3/4 c.y. " " " ") |
| 17. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, DED, 7-ton, Class III (3/4 c.y. " " " ") |
| 18. | CRANE, Crawler mtd, DED, 30-ton, Class V (2 c.y. " " " ") |
| 19. | CRANE, Crawler, mtd
20-ft. boom. |
| 20. | CRANE, Truck mounted, 3-ton, Class X (3/8 c.y. Quickway on Coleman Chassis) |
| 21. | CRANE, Truck mounted, 3-ton, Class X (3/8 c.y. Quickway on Brockway ") |
| 22. | CRUSHING & SCREENING PLANT, 2 unit, GED, semi-trailer mtd. w/dollies |
| 23. | 25 c.y. per hour |
| 23. | DISTRIBUTOR, Bituminous material, trailer mtd. 1250 gal. |
| 24. | DITCHING MACHINE, Ladder type, crawler mtd, GED, 8' depth, 18-24" wide. |
| 25. | GENERATOR AND CHARGING PLANT, Oxygen and nitrogen gas, semi-trailer mtd.
van type, w/dolly 500 c.f. per hour |
| 26. | GENERATOR AND CHARGING PLANT, Acetylene gas, semi-trailer mtd. 500 c.f.
per hour. |
| 27. | GENERATOR SET, Portable, GED, skid mtd. 1 1/2 KW (AB) |
| 28. | GENERATOR SET, Portable, GED, 5KW (or substitute) |
| 29. | GRADER, Road, motorized, 12-ft. moldboard (DED and GED) |
| 30. | GRADER, Road, towed type, leaning wheel, hand controlled, 6 1/2 ft moldboard
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| 31. | GRADLER, Road, towed type, leaning wheel, and controlled, 12-ft moldboard (or 10-ft.) |
| 32. | HEATER, Asphalt, trailer mtd. 3-car, 42 HP, boiler (or 2-car) |
| 33. | KETTLE, Asphalt, trailer mtd. w/motor driven hand spray, 165-gal. cap. |
| 34. | KETTLE, Asphalt, trailer mtd. w/motor driven hand spray, 110-gal. cap. |
| 35. | LABORATORY, Soil testing Set No. 1. |
| 36. | LOADER, Aggregate, bucket, tractor mtd. hydraulic, 1/2 c.y. (AB) |
| 37. | LUBRICATOR, trailer mtd. (or substitute) |
| 38. | MIXER, Concrete, GED, trailer mtd. 14 c.f. |
| 39. | MIXER, Rotary tiller, soil stabilization, GED, self powered, trailer mts. |
| 40. | MIXER, Rotary tiller, soil stabilization, power take-off, trailer mtd. (AB) |
| 41. | MOTOR, Outboard, 50 HP. |
| 42. | POWER PLANT, 5 KW, trailer mtd. |
| 43. | PUMP, Asphalt, trailer mtd. GED, complete |
| 44. | PUMP, Centrifugal, GED, 2" discharge, 166 g.p.m., 25-ft head, base and trailer mtd. |
| 45. | PUMP, Diaphragm, GED, mtd. on 2 wheels, 4" discharge, 100 g.p.m. 10-ft head. |
| 46. | PUMP, Water, trailer mtd. GED, complete. |
| 47. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) Set No. 1 (Litho Plat Topo Bn GH) |
| 48. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) Motorized, camera section, set No 2 24" x 24" mtd. on 4-ton 6x6 std. truck chassis w/van type body. |
| 49. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) Motorized, camera section, Set No. 5 24" x 30" mtd. on 10-ton semi-trailer, w/van type body. |
| 50. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) Motorized, combination section, Set No. 1 mtd on a 10-ton semi-trailer w/van type body. |
| 51. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) Motorized, combination section, Set No. 2 B, mtd. on a 10-ton semi-trailer w/van type body. |
| 52. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (topographic) motorized, laboratory section Set No. 2 mounted on a 2 1/2 ton 6x6 standard truck chassis w/van type body. |
| 53. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) motorized, map layout section, Set No. 1, mounted on a 2 1/2 ton 6x6 std. truck chassis, w/van type body. |
| 54. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) motorized, photographic section, Set No. 2. mtd. on a 2 1/2 ton 6x6 std. truck chassis w/van typebody |
| 55. | REFOODDUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) motorized late grainer section, Set No. 2. mtd., on 2 1/2 ton 6x6 std. truck chassis w/van type body. |
| 56. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (Topographic) motorized, plate process section Set No. 2, mtd on 2 1/2 ton 6x6 std truck chassis w/van type body. |
| 57. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, Topographic) motorized, Press Section, Set No 4, 20" x 22 1/2" mtd. on 4-ton 6x6 std. truck chassis w/van type body. |
| 58. | REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT, (topographic) motorized, press section, Set No 6, 22" x 29" mtd on a 4-ton 6x6 std truck chassis w/van type body |
| 59. | ROLLER, Road, GED, 3-wheel, 10-ton |
| 60. | ROLLER, Road, GED, Tandem 2-axle, 5-8 ton. |
| 61. | ROLLER, Road, towed sheepsfoot, 2-drum-in-line (or three) |
| 62. | ROLLER, Road, towed sheepsfoot, 1-drum-in-line w/removable feet (AB) |
| 63. | ROLLER, Road, towed 13-rubber tires (or 9, or 11) |
| 64. | ROLLER, Road, cable operated, 3-tooth |

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Item No.	Item
65.	ROOTER, Road, lever-operated, 3-tooth (AB)
66.	SAW, Chain, portable, GED, 3 1/2" (Timber)
67.	SCRAPER, Road, slip type, towed, 1/4 c.y.
68.	SCRAPER, Road, towed, cable operated, 6 c.y.
69.	SCRAPER, Road, towed, cable operated, 12 c.y.
70.	SCRAPER, Road, motorized, cable operated 12 c.y.
71.	SCRAPER, Road, towed, hydraulic operated, 1 1/2 c.y. (AB)
72.	SEARCHLIGHT, Portable, 100 and 60, 60" complete (less truck)
73.	SEMI-TRAILER, low-bed, w/dolly, 20 ton.
74.	SEMI-TRAILER, 25-ton ponton
75.	CHAIN, Chain, saw, GED or pneumatic.
76.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 1, electric repair
77.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 2, emergency repair (Include Tool Set No. 3, Emergency Repair)
78.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 3, general purpose.
79.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 4, machine shop heavy.
80.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 5, machine shop light.
81.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 6, small tool repair.
82.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 7, tool and bench
83.	SHOP EQUIPMENT, 3rd Echelon, motorized, Set No. 8, welding.
84.	SWEEPER, Rotary, tractor mtd, and powered 1-way sweeping; 30" x 7' brush
85.	TANK, Asphalt, trailer mtd, 1/2 steamcoils, 1500 gal.
86.	TANK, Gasoline, and oil, 2-compartment skid mtd, 750-gal.
87.	TANK, Water, semi-trailer mtd, 1500 gal.
88.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, DED, 35 DBHP, standard, complete w/angle dozer, (rear power control unit) D-4.
89.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, DED, 55 DBHP, standard, complete w/angle dozer (rear power control unit) D-6.
90.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, DED 60 DBHP, standard, complete w/angle dozer (rear power control unit) D-7.
91.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, DED, 115 DBHP standard complete w/angle dozer (rear power control unit) D-8.
92.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, GED, 20 DBHP, standard complete w/hydraulic control (bulldozer and winch AB)
93.	TRACTOR, Crawler type, GED, 35 DBHP, standard, complete (rear power control unit) R-4.
94.	TRACTOR, wheeled, rubber tired, GED, 23 DBHP.
95.	TRACTOR, wheeled, rubber tired, GED, 30 DBHP.
96.	TRACTOR, wheeled, rubber tired, GED, 30 DBHP, w/clearing unit
97.	TRAILER, Fire, 2-wheel, 500 gpm, Class 100
98.	TRAILER, Fire, crash, 2-wheel, high pressure, Class 1010.
99.	TRAILER, low-bed, 8-ton.
100.	TRAILER, low-bed, 16-ton.
101.	TRAILER, low-bed, 20-ton.
102.	TRAILER, low-bed, 60-ton.
103.	TRAILER, Dump, 2-wheel, 1/2 ton (AB)
104.	TRAILER, 2-wheel, utility, pole type, 2 1/2 ton, (all types)
105.	TRUCK, Cargo (Treadguy) 3-ton 6x6, 4DT, 220" wheel base w/front mtd winch
106.	TRUCK, Fire, crash, Class 135.
107.	TRUCK, Fire, pump, Class 325, (Overseas type)

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| 108. | WATER PURIFICATION UNIT, GED, portable, 15 gpm Portable. |
| 109. | WATER PURIFICATION UNIT, GED, truck mtd, 75 gpm, Mobile. |
| 110. | WELDING EQUIPMENT, Set no. 1, electric arc, 300 amp (suid and trailer mtd) gas engine driven. |
| 111. | WELDING EQUIPMENT, Set No. 2, oxyacetylene, cutting. |
| 112. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 35 DHP, w/front mtd winch, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, LIGHT (Inte national Model T-6 or equal) |
| 113. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 35 DHP, w/angle dozer, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, LIGHT |
| 114. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 55HP, w/front mtd winch, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, MEDIUM (International Model TD-14 or equal) |
| 115. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 55HP, w/angle dozer, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, MEDIUM (International Model TD-14 or equal) |
| 116. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 80 HP, s/front mtd. winch, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, HEAVY (Caterpillar, Model D-7, International Model TD-18 or equal) |
| 117. | TRACTOR, Crawler, GED, 80HP, w/angle dozer, ARTILLERY PRIME MOVER, HEAVY, (Caterpillar Model D-7, International Model TD-18 or equal) |
| 118. | CRANE, truck mounted, gasoline engine driven, 3/4 cu. yd. complete w/attach-ments. |
| 119. | WINCH, tractor mounted, double drum, w/ Gypsy Spool. |

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LIST OF ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN THE
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MEDICAL SERVICE

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Item</u>
1. (9958700)	Truck, 2½ ton 6x6 Laboratory Dental
2. (9958805)	Truck, 2½ ton 6x6 Dental Operating
3. *(9958900)	Truck, 2½ ton 6x6 Optical Repair Unit
4. (9363800)	Optical Repair Unit Mobile, Large
5. (9959000)	Truck, 2½ ton 6x6 Surgical
6. (9959105)	Truck, 2½ ton 6x6 Surgical Operating
7. (9719500)	Air Base Group Aid Station Equipment
8. (9363900)	Optical Repair Unit Portable

* Substitute for item 9363800

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LIST OF ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN THE
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ORDNANCE SERVICE

1. SNL Group A - Automatic Weapons.

a. Anti-Aircraft

Item No.	Item
1	Gun, automatic, 40mm, M1 w/carriage, gun, 40mm, M2A1
1a	Gun, automatic, 40mm, M1 w/carriage, gun, 40mm, M2A1
1b	Gun, automatic, 37mm, M1A2 w/carriage, gun, 37mm, M3A1
1c	Gun, automatic, 37mm, M1A2 w/carriage, gun, 37mm, M3 and M3A2
2	Gun, automatic, 40mm, M1 w/mount, gun, 40mm, M5 (airborne)
3	Gun, machine, Brg., cal. .50, M2, watercooled, flexible
4	Mount, machine gun, cal. .50, M3, M3A1
4a	Mount, machine gun, cal. .50, M3, M2A1
5	Mount, machine gun, cal. .50, M3
5a	Mount, truck pedestal, M2h, M2hA1, M2hA2
5b	Mount, truck pedestal, M31
5c	Mount, truck, M32
5d	Mount, truck, M36
5e	Mount, truck, M37, M37A2
5f	Mount, ring, M41
5g	Mount, MG, cal. .50, (squad) M45
5h	Mount, MG, cal. .30, M48
5i	Mount, ring, cal. .30, M49
5j	Mount, Truck, M50
5k	Mount, combination, M54C

b. Ground*

6	Cart, hand, M3A4, M4A1, M5A1
7	Cart, hand, M6A1
8	Gun, submachine, cal. .45, M3
8a	Gun, submachine, Thompson, cal. .45, M4A1, M1 and M1928A1
15	Gun, machine, Browning, cal. .50, M2 HB, flex
15a	Gun, machine, Browning, cal. .50, TT
19	Mount, tripod, machine gun, cal. .50, M3
19a	Elevator, cradle, M1, cal. .50, M1
20	Mount, tripod, machine gun, cal. .50, M3 (back)
24	Rifle, automatic, Browning, cal. .30, M1918A2
24a	Rifle, automatic, Browning, cal. .30, M1918

* All machine guns on the Half Tracks M3; Personnel Carriers M3; and Cars, Armored Utility M20 will be counted and reported with similar caliber ground weapons. Machine guns on all other combat vehicles are to be considered as a component of the armament of these vehicles.

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2. SNL Group B - Small Arms

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Item</u>
25	Bayonet, M1
25a	Bayonet, M1905
26	Scabbard, Bayonet, M7
26a	Scabbard, Bayonet for M1905 bayonet, M3
27	Carbine, cal. .30, M1
28	Carbine, cal. .30, M1A3 (hinged stock)
28a	Carbine, cal. .30, M1A1
28b	Carbine, cal. .30, M2
29	Bayonet, knife, M1 w/scabbard M8a1
29a	Knife, trench, w/scabbard
30	Launcher, rocket, 2.36", M9a1
30a	Launcher, rocket, M1, 2.36", M9 and M1A1
31	Launcher, grenade, M1 (rifle M1903 series)
32	Launcher, grenade, M7 (M1 rifle)
33	Launcher, grenade, M8 (carbine)
34	Pistol, automatic, cal. .45, M1911.1 and M1911
34a	Revolver, cal. .45, (colt and S and W)
34b	Revolver, cal. .38
34d	Revolver, cal. .32
35	Projector, pyrotechnic, hand, M9
35a	Projector, pyrotechnic, ground, signal, M4
35b	Projector, signal, ground, M3
36	Pistol, pyrotechnic, AN-M8 w/mount
37	Pistol, pyrotechnic, AN-M8 w/o/mount
37a	Pistol, pyrotechnic, M2
38	Rifle, US, cal. .30, M1
39	Rifle, US, cal. .30, M1903.3
39a	Rifle, US, cal. .30, M1903.1 and M1903
40	Rifle, US, cal. .30, M1C (Snipers)
40a	Rifle, US, cal. .30, M1903.4 (Snipers)
41	Shotgun, 12 gauge, riot type
42	Shotgun, assorted, other than riot type

5. SNL Group F - Fire Control

a. Anti-aircraft and Sea-coast

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Item</u>
76	Director, M5A2 (37mm and 40mm AA guns)
76a	Director, M5, M5A1
77	Director, M5A2 (90mm gun)
77a	Director, M5A1B1, M9, M5A1
78a	Director, M5A1B2, M7, M5A1B2, M5A1B1
80	Finder, height, M1A2
80a	Finder, height, M1, M2, M2A1
80b	Finder, range, horizontal base, 9 ft. and 15 ft.
81	Instrument, azimuth, M2A1 (degrees)
81a	Instrument, azimuth, M2
82	Instrument, azimuth, M1910.1
82a	Instrument, azimuth, M1910, M1900 (degrees)
82b	Indicator, range, Mk I

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5. SNL Group - Fire Control (cont'd)

Item No.	Item
83	Instrument, observation, AA, BC, M1
83a	Kit, helium, filling, M6, M6A1, M8
84	Rule, Slide, M1
85	Scale, Predication, M1
86	Tester, Stereoscope, M1, M1A1
87	Unit, generating, M1
88	Unit, generating, M17 (37mm and 40mm guns)
88a	Unit, generating, M17, and M5 and 40mm guns
89	Unit, generating, M18 w/skids (90mm and 120mm AA guns)
89a	Unit, generating, M17 and M15
89b	Unit, generating, M17 w/trailer
90	Unit, generating, M6 (3" AA guns)

b. Ground

91	Binocular, M13 (6x30) (w/mil reticle)
91a	Binocular, M13, M8, M9
91c	Binoculars, M7 (7x50) w/reticle
92	Binoculars, M13, M6, M12 (6x30 w/degree reticle)
93	Binocular, M13 or M12 (7x50 w/mil reticle)
93a	Binocular, M15 (7x50 w/reticle)
93b	Binocular, M12 21 (7x50 w/reticle)
97	Clinometer, machine gun, M1917
98	Clock, message center, M2
98a	Clock, message center, M1
99	Compass, M2
99a	Compass, prismatic, M1918
99b	All other models
107k	System, remote control, M1 (37mm)
107m	System, remote control, M5 (40mm)
107n	System, remote control, M10 (40mm)
110	Watch, pocket
111	Watch, pocket, railroad grade
112	Watch, wrist
113	Watch, stop, type B
113a	Recorder, time & interval, Class A & B

6. SNL Group G - Vehicles

a. Anti-Aircraft

115a	Carriage, motor, multiple, gun, M13
116	Trailer, mount, multiple, cal. .50 machine gun, M55
116a	Carriage, machine gun, multiple cal. .50 M51
117	Trailer, generator M18
118	Trailer, generator M7

b. Special Purpose and Special Equipment

167	Ambulance, 3/4 ton, lxh
167a	Ambulance, 3 ton, lxh
168	Truck, emergency repair, 3/4 ton, lxh, set A (AAF)
169	Truck, emergency repair, 3/4 ton, lxh, set B (AGF)

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d. Special Purpose and Special Equipment.

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167 Ambulance, 3/4 ton, lxl
 167a Ambulance, 1/2 ton, lxl
 168 Truck, emergency repair, 3/4 ton, lxl, set A (AEP)
 169 Truck, emergency repair, 3/4 ton, lxl, set B (AGP)
 170 Truck, 1-1/2 ton, lxl, bomb service, M6
 170a Truck, bomb service, M1
 171 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, amphibian
 172 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, bomb service, M27
 173 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, tank, gasoline, 750 gallons
 173a Tank, skid-mounted, 750 gallon
 174 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6 tank, water, 700 gallon
 175 Truck, tire repair, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, (Load A)
 176 Truck, tire repair, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, (Load B)
 177 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, artillery repair, M9.1
 177a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, artillery repair, M9
 177b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, artillery repair M1 & M2
 178 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, automotive repair, M8.1, Load A
 178a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, automotive repair, M8, Load A
 178b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, automotive repair, M1 & M2, Load S
 179 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, automotive repair M8.1, Load B
 179a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, automotive repair, M8, Load B
 179b Truck, 1-1/2 ton to 3 ton, lxl, automotive repair, M1 & M2, Load B
 180 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, electrical repair, M18.2
 180a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, electrical repair, M18.1
 180b Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, electrical repair, M18
 181 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, instrument repair, M10.1
 181a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, instrument repair, M10
 181b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, instrument repair, M1
 182 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, instrument bench, M23
 183 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16.2, Load A
 183a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16.1, Load A
 183b Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16, Load A
 183c Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, machine shop, M3 & M4, Load A
 184 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16, M16.1, Load B
 184a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16, Load B
 184b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, machine shop, M4 & M3, Load B
 185 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16.1, Load C
 185a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16, Load C
 186 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16.1, Load D
 186a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop, M16, Load D
 187 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop M16.1, Load E
 187a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, machine shop M16, Load F
 188 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, small arms repair, M7.2
 188a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, small arms repair, M7.1
 188b Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, small arms repair M7
 188c Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, small arms repair, M1
 190 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, for Signal Corps General Repair, M31
 190a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, small arms repair, M7.1 and M7 for Signal Corps
 190b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, small arms repair, M1 for Signal Corps
 191 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, spare parts, M1h
 191a Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, spare parts, M1 and M2
 192 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, tool and bench, M13
 192a Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, tool and bench, M2
 193 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, welding, M12.1
 193a Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, welding, M12
 193b Truck, 1-1/2 ton, to 3 ton, lxl, welding, M2 and M3
 194 Truck, 4 ton, 6x6, wrecker, w/w
 195 Truck, 6 ton, tank, 2000 gal. gas

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196	Truck, 7 1/2 ton, 6x6, prime mover, w/w
197	Truck, 7 1/2 ton, 4x4, dump
198	Truck, 10 ton, 6x6, heavy wrecker, M1
199	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, 2 wheel, mobile records (10 ton cr)
200	Trailer, tire repair, 1 to 2 wheel (load A)
201	Trailer, tire repair, 1 to 2 wheel (load B)
202	Trailer, 1 ton, 2 wheel, 2 horse van
203	Trailer, 1 ton, 2 wheel water tank, 250 gallon.
204	Trailer, 5-6 ton, 4 wheel, cargo
205	Trailer, 1 ton, 2 wheel
206	Truck, 1 ton, 4 wheel, lift, 11
211	Trailer, 8 ton, low bed, Engineers (Modified)

e. General Purpose

212	Car, 5 passenger, light sedan
213	Car, 5 passenger, medium sedan
214	Motorcycle, solo
215	Motorcycle, w/side car
215a	Service vehicle
215b	Motor, scooter
216	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4
216a	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4 (amphib)
217	Truck, 3/4 ton, 4x4, carry-all
217a	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, carry-all
218	Truck, 3/4 ton, 4x4, weapons carrier, w/o/w
218a	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, weapons carrier, w/o/w
218b	Truck, 3/4 ton, 4x4, command, 3/o/w
218c	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, radio
218d	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, command, w/o/w
219	Truck, 3/4 ton, 4x4, weapons carrier, w/w
219a	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, weapons carrier, w/w
219b	Truck, 3/4 ton, 4x4, command, w/w
219c	Truck, 1 ton, 4x4, w/w
220	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 4x4, cargo, w/o/w
221	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 4x4, cargo, w/w
222	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 4x4, dump
223	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 4x4, fuel delivery
224	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 4x4 tractor
225	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, w/o/w
226	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, w/w
227	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x4, cargo, w/o/w
228	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x4, tractor
229	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, w/o/w
230	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, w/w
231	Truck, 1-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, SWB, w/o/w

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232	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, 3MB, w/w
233	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, 15 foot body
234	Truck, 2-1/2 ton, 6x6, cargo, 17 foot body
235	Truck, 2-1/2 ton 6x6, dump, w/w
235a	Truck, 2-1/2-ton, 6x6, dump w/o/w
236	Truck, 4 ton, 6x6, cargo, LMB, w/w
237	Truck, 4 ton, 6x6, cargo, 3MB, w/w
238	Truck, 4 ton, 6x6, dump w/w and w/o/w
239	Truck, 4-5 ton, 4x4, tractor
240	Truck, 5 ton, 4x2, tractor
241	Truck, 5-6 ton, 4x4, tractor
242	Truck, 6 ton, 6x6, prime mover, w/w
243	Truck, 10 ton, 6x4, Gen. Serv. Load Carrier
244	Semi-trailer, 3 ton, 2 wheel, van (6 ton gross)
245	Semi-trailer, 3-1/2 ton, 2 wheel, stake and platform (6 ton gross)
246	Semi-trailer, 5 ton, 2 wheel, stake and platform
246a	Semi-trailer, Refrigeration, (5 ton)
247	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, 2 wheel, combination animal and cargo (10 ton gross)
247a	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, K-67a
248	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, 2 wheel, administrative
249	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, 2 wheel, gasoline tank, 2000 gal.
250	Semi-trailer, 6 ton, 2 wheel, van, (10 ton gross)
251	Semi-trailer, 10 ton, 2 wheel, stake and platform
251a	Semi-trailer, wrecking, 25 ft, C-2
251b	Semi-trailer, wrecking, 12-1/2 ton, 40 ft.
251c	Semi-trailer, 10 ton, 14 ton gross S & P
252	Trailer, 1/4 ton, 2 wheel, cargo
253	Trailer, 1 ton, 2 wheel, cargo.
254	Trailer, Athey, 6 ton

7. S&L Group & N - Tool Sets

255	Bar, towing, Universal Type
256	Cab, spare parts, Type 1, 1940
257	Cab, assembly, met., sp., pt. cl., A
258	Cab, assembly, met., sp., pt. cl., A-B
259	Chain, mv. tow, 16x7-16 in
260	Chain, mv., tow, 20x5-8 in
261	Chest, misc., spare parts
262	Chest, cl., met., small stores
263	Compass, veh., gp. Hull, sherr
264	Compressor, air, gas driven
265	Dispenser, grease, port ble
266	Grinder, bench, hand, 6 in., WH
267	Gun, lubr., HP, min., opr., 25 lb
268	Hitch, tandem, 1-4 ton, 4x4
269	Kit, c printers, w/met, case
270	Kit, 12-volt, conversion
271	Mach., saw., port, sgle., ndl
272	Rope, tow, 1 in x 20 ft

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273	Still water, port gas oper
274	Thermometer, powder, ten, M1
275	Friction, dev., grouser, type
276	Tool Set, armorers, ID Bn
277	Tool Set, armorers, FA Bn
278	Tool Set, arty. mechanics
279	Tool Set, battery expert
280	Tool Set, electrician
281	Tool Set, body mechanics
282	Tool Set, carburetor, mechanic
283	Tool Set, electrical carb.
284	Tool Set, friction mechanic
285	Tool Set, H-Tr., co
286	Tool Set, H-Tr., crew
287	Tool Set, H-Tr., Mtr., IP
288	Tool Set, machinists
289	Tool Set, general mechanic
290	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., C carb., sp. pts. set
291	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., D carb., sp. pts. set
292	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set E
293	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set F
294	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set G
295	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set H
296	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set K
297	Tool Set, Ord., Maint., set L
298	Tool Set, Painters
299	Tool Set, sheet metal rod.
300	Tool Set, En., cr., M10, M10.1
301	Tool Set, Co., For., M31, M10.1, PM
302	Tool Set, En., for, M31, M32, M10.1, PM
303	Tool Set, Spcl, car arm., recon. mech
304	Tool Set, Spcl, car arm., rec. co.
305	Tool Set, Spcl, car arm., En., crew
306	Tool Set, Spcl, car arm., regtl., Mt. Pl.
307	Tool Set, Spcl, car scout, mechanic
308	Tool Set, Spcl, car, scout, company
309	Tool Set, Spcl, car, scout, regtl., Mt., Pl.
310	Tool Set, Spcl, car Mtr., M8, mechanic
311	Tool Set, Spcl, car, Mtr., M8, regtl., Mt., pl.
312	Tool Set, Spcl, car, Mtr., M7, mechanic
313	Tool Set, Spcl, car, Mtr., M7, company
314	Tool Set, Spcl, car, Mtr., M7, En. crew.
315	Tool Set, Spcl, car, Mtr., M7, regtl., Mt., Pl. t.
316	Tool Set, Spcl, arm. cmd. co.
317	Tool Set, Spcl, arm. cmd. sep. Bn.
318	Tool Set, Spcl, arm-F, co.
319	Tool Set, Spcl, arm-F, sep. Bn.
320	Tool Set, Spcl, regtl. crew
321	Tool Set, Spcl, regtl. Mtr.
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324	Tool Set, Spcl, Tk. armd-F, regtl, Mt. Plat.
325	Tool Set, Spcl, Lt. Tk., mech.
326	Tool Set, Spcl, Lt. Tk., co.
327	Tool Set, Spcl, Lt. Tk., cr.
328	Tool Set, Spcl, Lt. Tk. regtl., Mt. Plat.
329	Tool Set, Spcl, Med. Tk., mech.
330	Tool Set, Spcl, Med. Tk., co.
331	Tool Set, Spcl, Med. Tk., En., crow
332	Tool Set, Spcl, Med. Tk., Rect., Mt. Plat
333	Tool Set, Park, Rec., Vch., T2, regtl, maint, plat
334	Tool Set, Trainers
335	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 1
336	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 2
337	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 3
338	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 4
339	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 5
340	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 6
341	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 7
342	Tool Set, 2nd Ech., Set 8
343	Tool Set, 3rd Ech., Set 1
344	Tool Set, 4th Ech., Set 2
345	Tool Set, Welders
346	Tool Set, Welders

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LIST OF ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN THE
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APPENDIX "E"

SIGNAL SERVICE

Item No.

- 1 Cable WC-534 (1000 ft equivalents) (Total)
(a) Cable Assembly CC-345, 1000 ft lengths (1000 ft equivalents)
(b) Cable Assembly CC-345, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile length (in 1000 ft equivalents)
- 2 Cable WC-535 (1000 ft equivalents) (Total)
(a) Cable Assembly CC-355, 1000 ft
- 3 Cable Assembly CC-345 (200 ft lengths)
- 4 Cable Assembly CC-345 (200 ft lengths)
- 5 Cable Assembly CC-345 (200 ft lengths)
- 6 Cable Assembly CC-355 (100 ft lengths)
- 7 Cable Assembly CC-355 (200 ft lengths)
- 8 Cable Assembly CC-355 (500 ft lengths)
- 9 Charging Set SCR-209
- 10 Detector Set AM/PAB-1
- 11 Detector Set SCR-025
- 12 Facsimile Equipment RC-58
- 13 Facsimile Equipment RC-120
- 14 Flash Ranging Set GR-4
- 15 Handset TS-10
- 16 Maintenance Equipment ME-30
- 17 Maintenance Equipment ME-40
- 18 Power Unit PE-49
- 19 Power Unit PE-75
- 20 Power Unit PE-77
- 21 Power Unit PE-95
- 22 Public Address Set PA-5, PA-2, and PA-1
- 23 Radio Direction Finder TC-8
- 24 Radio Intercept Central TC-9
- 25 Radio Receiver RC-312
- 26 Radio Receiver RC-342
- 27 Radio Receiver RC-344
- 28 Radio Set AM/TRC-2
- 29 Radio Set AM/VIC-3
- 30 Radio Set SCR-177
- 31 Radio Set SCR-188
- 32 Radio Set SCR-193
- 33 Radio Set SCR-244
- 34 Radio Set SCR-255
- 35 Radio Set SCR-268
- 36 Radio Set SCR-284
- 37 Radio Set SCR-300
- 38 Radio Set SCR-399 and SCR-299
- 39 Radio Set SCR-499
- 40 Radio Set SCR-502
- 41 Radio Set SCR-503 and SCR-206
- 42 Radio Set SCR-504
- 43 Radio Set SCR-506
- 44 Radio Set SCR-508
- 45 Radio Set SCR-509

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46	Radio Set SCR-510
47	Radio Set SCR-511
48	Radio Set SCR-528
49	Radio Set SCR-530
50	Radio Set SCR-538
51	Radio Set SCR-542
52	Radio Set SCR-545
53	Radio Set SCR-551
54	Radio Set SCR-555
55	Radio Set SCR-556
56	Radio Set SCR-562
57	Radio Set SCR-592
58	Radio Set SCR-593
59	Radio Set SCR-607
60	Radio Set SCR-608
61	Radio Set SCR-609
62	Radio Set SCR-610
63	Radio Set SCR-628
64	Radio Set SCR-632
65	Radio Set SCR-694
66	Radio Set SCR-808
67	Radio Set SCR-881
68	Reel Cart RL-25 and RL-16
69	Reel Equipment CL-11
70	Reel Unit RL-26
71	Reel Unit RL-31
72	Reel RL-39
73	Rectifier RA-21 and RA-36
74	Rectifier Power Unit PP-34/15M
75	Repeater Set TC-18 and TG-30
76	Repeater Set TC-19 and TG-31
77	Repeater Teletypewriter Set TC-16
78	Sound Ranging Set GR-3
79	Switchboard SB-71
80	Switchboard SB-72
81	Switchboard SB-88
82	Switchboard SB-5/PT
83	Telegraph Central Office Set TC-3
84	Telegraph Set TC-5
85	Telegraph Switchboard SB-6/GG
86	Telephone EL-8
87	Tel Cent. Off. Set (Aux) AN/GTA-1
88	Telephone Central Office Set TC-2
89	Telephone Central Office Set TC-4
90	Telephone Central Office Set TC-6
91	Telephone Central Office Set TC-10 and TC-1
92	Telephone Central Office Set TC-12
93	Telephone Central Office Set TC-20
94	Telephone Repeater EL-89
95	Teletypewriter Set EL-97
96	Teletypewriter Set EL-98
97	Teletypewriter Set EL-102

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98 Teletypewriter Set EE-103
99 Test Equipment IE-9
100 Test Equipment IE-17
101 Test Equipment IE-29 and IE-10
102 Test Equipment RC-68
103 Test Set AN/GPM-1
104 Test Set AN/MFM-1
105 Test Set AN/LFM-2
106 Test Set AN/MFM-3
107 Test Set AN/LFM-4
108 Test Set AN/MFM-5
109 Test Set I-45
110 Test Set I-49
111 Test Set I-56
112 Test Set TS-2/TC
113 Test Set TS-26/TSN and EE-65
114 Test Set TS-27/TSN
115 Test Unit I-176
116 Tool Equipment TE-50
117 Tool Equipment TE-111 and TE-47
118 Tool Equipment TE-114 and TE-46
119 Tool Set TE-56
120 Trailer K-36
121 Trailer K-37
122 Trailer K-38
123 Truck K-43
124 Truck K-44
125 Typewriter MC-88
126 Voltammeter I-166
127 Wire W-110 (in miles)
128 Wire W-130 (in miles)
129 Wire W-143 (in miles)
130 Battery BA-2
131 Battery BA-23
132 Battery BA-27
133 Battery BA-31
134 Battery BA-32
135 Battery BA-36
136 Battery BA-37
137 Battery BA-38
138 Battery BA-39
139 Battery BA-40
140 Battery BA-41
141 Battery BA-43
142 Battery BA-48
143 Battery BA-49
144 Battery BA-51
145 Battery BA-58
146 Battery BA-63
147 Battery BA-70
148 Battery BA-80
149 Battery BA-203U
150 Battery BA-206/U
151 Battery BA-209/U

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APPENDIX "G"

ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN AMMUNITION SUPPLY REPORT

GROUND - ORDNANCE AMMUNITION

SECTION I.

Cart, AP, cal. .30 in cartons
Cart, AP, cal. .30 in 5 rd clips
Cart, AP, cal. .30 in 8 rd clips
Cart, Ball, Cal. .30 in cartons
Cart, Ball, cal. .30 in 5 rd clips
Cart, Ball, cal. .30 in 8 rd clips
Cart, Tracer, cal. .30 in cartons
Cart, Tracer, cal. .30 in 5 rd clips
Cart, Tracer, cal. .30 in 8 rd clips
Cart, AP and Tracer, cal. .30 in web belts 4-1 (or 9-1)
Cart, AP and Tracer, cal. .30 in MLB 4-1 (or 9-1)
Cart, Ball and Tracer cal. .30 in web belts 4-1 (or 9-1)
Cart, Carbine, Ball, cal. .30
Cart, Ball, cal. .45
Cart, AP cal. .50 in cartons
Cart, Incend., cal. .50 in cartons
Cart, Tracer, cal. .50 in cartons
Cart, AP, Incend-Tracer, cal. .50 in MLB 2-2-1 (or 5-3-2)
Cart, AP and Tracer, cal. .50 in MLB 4-1 (or 9-1)
Cart, API-Tracer, cal. .50 in MLB 4-1
Shell, shotgun 12 gage, 00 buckshot
Shell, HE, 37mm AA Gun
Shot, APC (or AP), 37 mm AA Gun
Canister, 37 mm T & AT Gun
Shell, HE, 37mm T & AT Gun
Shot, APC, (or AP), 37mm T & AT Gun
Shell, HE, 40 mm AA Gun
Shot, AP, 40 mm AA Gun
Bomb, smoke, MK I-L, 2" Mortar
Cart, HE T, 57 mm AT Gun
Shot, APC (or AP), 57 mm AT Gun
Shell, HE, 60mm Mortar
Shell, Illuminating, 60 mm Mortar
Shell, smoke, WP, 60 mm Mortar
Shell, HE SC, 75 mm Gun, W/F PD M48
Shell, HE SC, 75 mm Gun, W/F TSQ M54
Shell, HE MC, 75 mm Gun, W/F PD M48
Shell, HE MC, 75 mm Gun, W/F TSQ M54
Shot, APC (or AP), 75 mm Gun
Shell, smoke, MC, 75mm Gun
Shell, smoke, WP, 75mm Gun
Shell, gas, 75mm Gun
Canister, 75mm How
Shell, HE, 75mm How, W/F PD M48
Shell, HE, 75mm How, W/F TSQ M54
Shell, smoke, WP, 75mm How

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Shell, gas, 75mm How
Projectile, APC, (or AP), 76mm Gun
Shell, HE, 76mm Gun, W/F PD M48
Shell, illuminating, 76mm Gun
Shell, smoke, FC, 76mm Gun
Shell, HE (RC), 3 inch AT Gun
Shell, HE, NC, 3" AT Gun W/F PD M48
Shell, HE, W/F TM M43, 3" AT Gun (Mobile)
Shell, illuminating, 3 inch AT Gun
Shell, smoke, FC, 3 inch AT Gun
Shot, APC (or AP), 3" AT and AT Gun
Shell, HE, It, 81mm Motor
Shot, AP, 90mm AT Gun
Shell, HE, W/F PD M48, 90mm AT Gun
Shell, HE, W/F TM M43, 90mm AT Gun
Shell, smoke, 81mm Motor
Shell, HE, Hvy, 81 mm Motor
Shell, HE, AT, 105mm How, M2
Shell, HE, 105mm How, M2 W/F PD M48
Shell, HE, 105mm How, M2 W/F TSQ M54
Shell, smoke, FC, 105mm How, M2
Shell, smoke, WP, 105mm How, M2
Shell, gas, 105mm How, M2
Shell, HE, AT, 105mm How, M3
Shell, HE, 105mm How, M3 W/F PD M48
Shell, HE, 105mm How, M3 W/F TSQ M54
Shell, smoke, FC, 105mm How, M3
Shell, smoke, WP, 105mm How, M3
Shell, HE, G/R, 4.5" Gun
Shell, HE, G/R, 4.7" AT Gun
Proj., AP, C/R, 155mm Gun M1
Shell, HE, G/R, 155mm Gun, M1
Shell, smoke, WP, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1
Shell, Gas, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1
Shell, HE, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1918
Proj., AP, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1917-18
Shell, smoke, FC, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1918
Shell, smoke, WP, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1918
Shell, gas, C/R, 155mm Gun, M1918
Shell, HE, C/R, 155mm How, M1
Shell, smoke, H C, C/R, 155mm How, M1
Shell, smoke, WP, C/R, 155mm How, M1
Shell, Gas, C/R, 155mm How, M1
Shell, smoke, FC, C/R, 155mm How, M1918
Shell, smoke, WP, C/R, 155mm How, M1918
Shell, gas, C/R, 155mm How, M1918
Shell, HE, (240#) C/R, 8" Gun
Shell, HE, (200#) C/R, 8" How
Shell, HE, C/R, 155mm How, M1918

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Shell, HE, (360#) C/R, 240mm How, M1
Shell, HE, (315#) C/R, 240mm How, M1918
Adapter, grenade-projection
Adapter, grenade-projection, chemical
Charge, shaped, M3 & Beehives
Flare, ground (red) T9
Flare, ground (yellow) T10
Flare, trap, M48
Flare, trap, M49
Fuze, T74
Fuze, T76
Fuze, T80
Fuze, CP, T105
Grenade, hand, fragmentation
Grenade, hand, offensive
Grenade, rifle, HE, M1
Grenade, rifle, practice, M1
Grenade, rifle, smoke, M1, M20
Grenade, rifle, smoke, M1, M19
Grenade, rifle, smoke, green, M22
Grenade, rifle, smoke, orange, M22
Grenade, rifle, smoke, red, M22
Grenade, rifle, smoke, violet, M22
Light, signal, Very, assorted
Mine, Antipersonnel, M2
Mine, Antipersonnel, M3
Mine, HE, M1, M1
Mine, HE, M1, M5
Mine, HE, M1, M6
Rocket, practice, M1, 2.36"
Rocket, HE, M1, 2.36"
Rocket, smoke, M1, 2.36" M10
Rocket, target, complete, 3.25"
Rocket, HE, M1, complete, 4.5", M1
Rocket, HE complete, 4.5" T22 (M8)
Rocket, HE, beach barrage, 4.5"
Rocket, FS, beach barrage, 4.5"
Rocket, M1, beach barrage, 4.5"
Rocket, HE, complete, 7.2"
Signal, aircraft, assorted for M2 Pyro Pistol
Signal, aircraft, assorted for M5, M8, M9 Pyro Pistol
Signal, ground assorted for ground signal proj.
Signal, ground assorted for rifle grenade launcher
Tornado, bengalore, complete
Cart, cal. .38, Special
Cart, Ball, cal. .50 in cartons
Link, metallic belt, cal. .50
Shotgun, 7-8-9 chills shot, 12 gauge
Shell, HE, unfuzed, 90mm T & T Gun
Shell, APC, M82, 90mm T & T Gun
Shell, HE, unfuzed, 105mm How M2
Shell, smoke, colored (green) 105mm How M2

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ORDNANCE ACQUISITION (CONT'D)

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Shell, smoke, colored (red) 105mm How M2
Shell, smoke, colored (violet) 105mm How M2
Shell, smoke, colored (yellow) 105mm How M2
Canister, MC, smoke, green, 155mm How M1
Canister, MC, smoke, violet, 155mm How M1
Canister, MC, smoke, red, 155mm How M1
155mm How M1 HE, cavitized
8" How, M1, HE, cavitized
240mm How M1, HE cavitized
Charge, Propelling, B&I, M1, 155mm Gun M1
Charge, Propelling, B&I, M1, 1917-19M1, 155mm Gun M1917-18M1
Charge, propelling, M1, (GB), 8" Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling, M2, (B), 8" Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling, M9, (GB), 8" Gun M1
Charge, Propelling, M10, (B), 8" Gun M1
Charge, Propelling, B&I, M1, 240mm Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling, M1.1, (GB), 155mm Howitzer M1917-17A1-18
Charge, Propelling, M2, (B), 155mm Howitzer M1917-17A1-18
Charge, Propelling, M3, (B), 155mm, Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling, M4 (B), 155mm Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling M4.1 (B), 155mm Howitzer M1
Charge, Propelling, M7 (Normal), 4.5" Gun M1
Charge, Propelling, M8 (Super), 4.5" Gun M1
Shell, HE, cavitized, 75mm Howitzer
Fuze, PD, M46
Fuze, PD, M51.1 w/booster M21.1
Fuze, PD, M51 w/booster M21
Fuze, PD, M51.3, S2 or Delay
Fuze, PD, M51.1 w/booster M20.1
Fuze, PD, M51
Fuze, PD, M55.1 w/booster M21.1
Fuze, T, M67 w/booster M21.1
Fuze, T7h36
Fuze, T7636
Fuze, T8036
Fuze, CP T-105
Fuze, PD, M117 or 119 (Br.)
Fuze, PD, M45 w/booster M21
Fuze, TM, M67.1

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APPENDIX "III"

GROUND - CHEMICAL WEAPONS AMMUNITION
For other than Air Force units

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SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, CS	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, PS	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, H	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, I	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, FB	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, CG	Ea.
SHELL, 4.2" Chemical Mortar, P	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, Red, P-13	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, White, (C) M-18	Ea.
GRENADE, Hand, Irritant, (CM-1), 16	Ea.
GRENADE, Hand, Tear, (C) 17	Ea.
GRENADE, Hand, Smoke, (P) M-15	Ea.
GRENADE, Incendiary, M-14	Ea.
MINE, Land, Cal, 1-gal (Empty)	Ea.
MINE, Land, Cal, 1-gal (H filled)	Ea.
AGENT, Chemical, H	Lb.
AGENT, Chemical, L	Lb.
GRENADE, Smoke, Colored, M-16 & M-18 (Green)	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, Colored, M-16 & M-18 (Orange)	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, Colored, M-16 & M-18 (Red)	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, Colored, M-16 & M-18 (Violet)	Ea.
GRENADE, Smoke, Colored, M-16 & M-18 (Yellow)	Ea.
POT, Smoke, HC, M-1	Ea.
POT, Smoke, Floating, HC, M-1 & M-11	Ea.
POT, Smoke, HC, M-15	Ea.
FILLING, Portable Flamethrower, M-11	Ea.
FUEL: Port, Flamethrower, M-11, Unthickened (American)	Gal
FUEL: Port, Flamethrower, M-11, Thickened (British)	Imp Gal
NAPALM	Lb
HYDROGEN, (British and American)	Cu. Ft
NITROGEN, (British and American)	Cu. Ft
CYLINDER, Ignition for Portable Flamethrower, M-2	Ea.
STARTER, Fire, M-1	Ea.
BOB, Incendiary 1 1/2 lb (British)	Ea.
GENERATOR, Smoke, #18 (British)	Ea.
GENERATOR, Smoke, #24 (British)	Ea.
GRENADE, Frangible, M-1 (AC filled)	Ea.
GRENADE, Frangible, M-1 (FS filled)	Ea.
GRENADE, Frangible, M-1 (I filled)	Ea.
OIL, SGFI (for Generator, Smoke Mach. M-1 & M-2)	Imp Gal
POOL, Gas, Oil (for Generator, Smoke, Mach M-1 & M-2 & Plant Impregnating, M-1 & M-2)	Imp Gal
CMB, Solution	Gal

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APPENDIX "I"

GROUND - CHEMICAL WARFARE AMMUNITION
For Air Force Units

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GRENAD, Smoke, White (HC) AN, 18	Ea
GRENAD, Hand, Irritant, (CN-DM) M6	Ea
GRENAD, Hand, Tear, (CN) M7	Ea
GRENAD, Hand, Smoke, (WP) M5	Ea
GRENAD, Incendiary, AN, M4	Ea
MINE, Land, Cal. 1-gal (Empty)	Ea
MINE, Land, Cal. 1-gal (H filled)	Ea
AGENT, Chemical, H	Lb
AGENT, Chemical, L	Lb
GRENAD, Smoke, Colored, M16 & M18 (Green)	Ea
GRENAD, Smoke, Colored, M16 & M18 (Orange)	Ea
GRENAD, Smoke, Colored, M16 & M18 (Red)	Ea
GRENAD, Smoke, Colored, M16 & M18 (Violet)	Ea
GRENAD, Smoke, Colored, M16 & M18 (Yellow)	Ea
POT, Smoke, HC, M1	Ea
POT, Smoke, M1aving, HC, M4 & M4M1	Ea
POT, Smoke, HC, M5	Ea
FUEL, Port, Plane Throver, M4M1, Thickened (British)	Imp Gal
NAPALM	Lb
STARTER, Fire, M1	Ea
BPFB, Incendiary, 1 1/2 lb (British)	Ea
GENERATOR, Smoke, #18 (British)	Ea
GENERATOR, Smoke, #24 (British)	Ea
GRENAD, Frangible, M1 (HC filled)	Ea
GRENAD, Frangible, M1 (FS filled)	Ea
GRENAD, Frangible, M1 (H filled)	Ea
CN B, Solution	Gal

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APPENDIX "J"

ITEMS TO BE REPORTED IN AMMUNITION SUPPLY REPORT

SECTION III: Air Force - Ordnance Ammunition

168 @Cart, cal. .30, AP
169 @Cart, cal. .30, I
170 @Cart, cal. .30, T
171 @Links, cal. .30
172 @Cart, cal. .50, AP
173 @Cart, cal. .50, API, M8
174 @Cart, cal. .50, I
175 @Cart, cal. .50, Tracer, M1
176 @Cart, cal. .50, Tracer, M10
177 @Links, cal. .50
178 @Cart, 20-mm, HE-I
179 @Cart, 20mm, HE-T
180 @Cart, 20-mm, Ball
181 Links, 20 mm
182 Shell, 37-mm, HE, M1
183 Shot, 37-mm, AP, M80
184 Shell, 75-mm, HE
185 Shot, 75-mm, APC
186 Shot, 75-mm, AP
187 Shell, Shotgun, 12 gage, No. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, 8 and 9 shot
188 Bomb, GP, 100-lb, C/R
189 Bomb, GP, 250-lb (400-lb) C/R
190 Bomb, GP, 500-lb (600-lb) C/R
191 Bomb, GP, 500-lb, Comp. B or B2 loaded, C/R
192 Bomb, GP, 1000-lb (1200-lb) C/R
193 Bomb, GP, 1000-lb, Comp. B or B2 loaded, C/R
194 Bomb, GP, 2000-lb, C/R
195 Bomb, GP, 2000-lb, Comp. B or B2 loaded, C/R
196 Bomb, LC, 4000-lb, C/R
197 Bomb, SAP, 500-lb, C/R
198 Bomb, SAP, 1000-lb, C/R
199 Bomb, AP, 1000-lb, C/R
200 Bomb, AP, 1600-lb, C/R
201 Bomb, Practice, 100-lb, M30A2, C/R
202 Bomb, Depth, 325-lb (TWT) C/R
203 Bomb, Depth, 350-lb (DPX) C/R
204 Bomb, Depth, 650-lb, C/R
205 Mines, Aerial, C/R
206 Torpedoes, Aerial, C/R
207 Bomb, Chemical, 100-lb or 115-lb, H filled, C/R
208 Bomb, Chemical, 100-lb or 115-lb, WP filled, C/R
209 Bomb, Chemical, 100-lb or 115-lb, other, C/R (Specify Type)
210 Bomb, Chemical, 500-lb, LC filled, C/R
211 Bomb, Chemical, 500-lb, CC filled, C/R
212 Bomb, Chemical, 500-lb, CG filled, C/R

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SECTION III, Air Force - Ordnance Ammunition (Cont'd)

213 Bomb, Chemical, 1000-lb, AC filled C/R
 214 Bomb, Chemical, 1000-lb, CC filled, C/R
 215 Bomb, Chemical, 1000-lb, CG filled, C/R
 216 Bomb, Frag., 23-lb parachute, M72, individual suspension, C/R
 217 Bomb, Frag., 260-lb, C/R
 218 Cluster, M1 (6-20-lb stabilized frag. bombs) C/R (100-lb size)
 219 Cluster, M1 (3-23-lb parachute frag. bombs) C/R (100-lb size)
 220 Cluster, ThE1 or 2 (126) (20-20-lb stabilized frag. bombs) C/R (500-lb size)
 221 Cluster, T8 (127) (6-85-lb stabilized frag. bombs) C/R (500-lb size)
 222 Cluster, T10 (128) (24-4-lb butterfly frag. bombs) C/R (100-lb size)
 223 Cluster, T11 (129) (20-4-lb butterfly frag. bombs) C/R (500-lb size)
 224 Adapter Cluster, M12 (for clustering 2 bombs or clusters)
 225 Rocket, HE, 4 5/8 T22 (128) C/R
 226 *Fuze, rocket, PD, M141
 227 Flare, bombardment, C/R
 228 Flare, aircraft, parachute, M941
 229 Bomb Photoflash, M146 C/R
 230 Bomb, Photoflash, Other, C/R
 231 Signal, drift, day (M147)
 232 Signal, drift, night (M148)
 233 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M37 or 28
 234 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M38 or 29
 235 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M39 or 30
 236 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M40 or 31
 237 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M41 or 32
 238 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M42 or 33
 239 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M53
 240 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M54
 241 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M55
 242 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M56
 243 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M57
 244 Signal, AC recognition, AN-M58
 245 *Extra tail fuze, AN-M100 type
 246 *Extra tail fuze, AN-M101 type
 247 *Extra tail fuze, AN-M102 type
 248 *Extra nose fuze, AN-M103 type
 249 *Extra nose fuze, M110 type
 250 *Extra nose fuze, M111 type (for flares)
 251 *Extra nose fuze, M120 type
 252 *Extra nose fuze, M126 type
 253 Special nose fuze, M118 (T56)
 254 Special tail fuze, M112 type
 255 Special tail fuze, M113 type
 256 Special tail fuze, M114 type
 257 Fuze, bomb (nose) M118
 258 Fuze, bomb (nose) M119
 259 Special tail fuze, M123 type
 260 Special tail fuze, M124 type
 261 Special tail fuze, M125 type
 262 Fuze, bomb (Tail) M132
 263 Fuze, bomb (Tail) M133

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- 264 Fuze, bomb (Tail) M134
265 Fuze, bomb (Nose) M139
266 Fuze, bomb (nose) M140
267 Fuze, bomb nose (M1) T56
268 Fuze, bomb nose (M1) T2932
269 Extra primer detonator, M16 type, 4 sec. delay
270 Extra primer detonator, M16 type, 11 sec. delay
271 Extra primer detonator, M14 type, .10 sec. delay
272 Extra primer detonator, M14 type, .025 sec. delay
273 Extra primer detonator, M14 type, .01 sec. delay
274 Extra primer detonator, M14 type, non-delay
275 Extra Fin, assy. f/115-lb Chemical bomb, M70
276 Extra Fin, assy. f/500-lb GP bomb, M-143
277 Extra Fin, assy. f/500-lb GP bomb, M-164
278 Extra Fin, assy. f/500-lb SAP bomb, M-158 or M-158.1
279 Extra Fin, assy. f/500-lb armor-piercing bomb, M62, M62.1 or M62.2
280 Extra Fin, assy. f/1000-lb GP bomb, M-144 or M-144
281 Extra Fin, assy. f/1000-lb GP bomb, M-145 or M-145
282 Extra Fin, assy. f/1000-lb SAP bomb, M-146
283 Extra Fin, assy. f/1000-lb, SAP bomb, M-146.33
284 Extra Fin, assy. f/1000-lb armor-piercing bomb, 1000-lb, M52, or M52.1 or 800-lb M61
285 Extra fin, assy. f/1400-lb armor-piercing bomb, M63
286 Extra fin, assy. f/1600-lb armor-piercing bomb, M-146.1
287 Extra fin, assy. f/1600-lb armor-piercing bomb, M-146.1 (Navy)
288 Extra Fin, assy. f/2000-lb GP bomb, M-134 or M-136
289 Extra Fin, assy. f/4000-lb light case bomb, M-158
290 Extension, 9" for nose fuze
291 Extension, 18" for nose fuze

Show each type, whether in links or not. Then show links, whether in belts or bulk.

"Extra" as used in above nomenclature means in addition to those fuzes necessary to make complete rounds.

C/R signifies complete round, including all standard components (c/r; bomb, plus nose fuze, tail fuze, fin assy, trailing wire assembly, as applicable). Do not show any bombs for which components are not available without substitution.

Incomplete rounds should be listed separately by overseas theaters and requested for necessary components to make complete rounds.

Fuze "type" means all fuzes of that model, with modifications (e.g.; M-1102, M-1102.1, etc., are same type).

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SECTION IV AIR FORCE CHEMICAL WARFARE AMMUNITION UNITS

AGENT, Chemical, H	lb
AGENT, Chemical, L	lb
AGENT, FS (Smoke) Bulk	lb
AGENT, FS (Smoke) Bulk	lb
SMOKE MINAT, E, CS AM (British)	lb
BOMB, Incendiary, 100-lb, AN-M47, (AN-M47.1, AN-M47.2) (Oil filled)	ea
BOMB, Incendiary, 100-lb, M47 1 & M47.2 (IP filled)	ea
BOMB, Incendiary, 500-lb, M76 (Oil filled) T2E1	ea
BOMB, L.C. 500-lb Oil filled (British)	ea
BOMB, ISC Type 3/L 400-lb Voids not Filled, Fluorine Gas (British)	ea
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb AN-M6 (100-lb size) (Prev. designated as M1)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb M7 (500-lb size) (Prev. designated as M1)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb, AN-M8 (100-lb size) (34-41b AN-M54 Bombs)	Cluster
(Prev. designated as M2)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb M10 (100-lb size) (31-2-lb M52a1 Bombs)	Cluster
(Prev. designated as M3)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb M11 (100-lb size) (191-2-lb M52a1 Bombs)	Cluster
(Prev. designated as M3)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb AN-M12 (6-lb-Oil) (100-lb size) (prev. designated as M4)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Aimable, Incend Bomb, 500 lb (33-6-lb AN-M69 Oil Bombs)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Aimable, Incend Bomb M17 (500-lb size)	Cluster
GRADE, Smoke, Acid, M-M3	ea.
IGNITER, Incendiary, gasoline tank, M3a1.	ea.
IGNITER, Incendiary, gasoline tank, M4a1	ea.
IGNITER, Incendiary, gasoline drum, M5	ea.
TANK, Airplane, Smoke, M10	ea.
TANK, Airplane Smoke, M20	ea.
TANK, Airplane Smoke, M21	ea.
TANK, Airplane, Smoke, M33 (for M24)	ea.
TANK, Airplane, Smoke, M33 (For M25)	ea.
TANK, Airplane, Smoke, M33 (for M26)	ea.
SET, Accessories for Airplane Smoke, Tank, M10	ea.
SET, Accessories for Airplane Smoke Tank, M33	ea.
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb, AN-M13 (6-lb Oil) (500-lb size) (prev. designated as M4)	Cluster
CLUSTER, Incend Bomb, M9 (500-lb size) (124-4-lb AN-M54 Bombs)	Cluster
(Prev. designated as M2)	Cluster

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CHEMICAL WARFARE CLASS V SUPPLIES

Headquarters _____ As of 20 _____ 194 _____

ITEM	UNIT	Total Quantity on hand.	Expenditures and losses in combat or training	
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Column 1 - Item: Enter the description of the item as given. Make a single separate entry for each size and type of ammunition listed and include in list of ammunition items only those items which were on hand as of report date or expended during period.

Column 3 - Unit: Enter the unit, such as "ea, "lb, "gal", etc.

Column 3 - Total quantity on hand: Enter the quantities of serviceable ammunition on hand in your command in the appropriate unit. These quantities will include ammunition in the hands of troops and in depots.

Columns 4 & 5 - Expenditures and Losses: Enter the quantities lost and expended in combat and for training during the period covered by the report. Expenditure and losses will be quantities actually expended or lost. The quantities transferred from depot stock to troops will not be reported as expended.

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APPENDIX "M"

AMMUNITION SUPPLY REPORT (FOR AIR AND FIELD FORCES)
ORDNANCE CLASS V SUPPLIES

Headquarters _____ As of 20 _____ 194 _____

Item	Unit	Total on hand	Expenditures and losses	
			Combat	Training
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Column 2 - Units: Report small arms ammunition in thousands of rounds, indicating "Ea" in this column. Report exact total of all other ammunition indicating "Ea" in this column.

Column 3 - Total on hand: Report quantities of serviceable ammunition on hand in manner described above. These quantities will include ammunition in the hands of troops, depots, and ISPs.

Columns 4 and 5 - Expenditure and losses: Enter the quantities expended and lost in combat during the period in column 4; in column 5 enter training expenditures or losses.

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ORDNANCE CLASS V SUPPLIES

Headquarters _____ As of 20 _____ 194 _____

Item	Rounds on hand exclusive of rounds drawn for training	Rounds expended and/or lost in combat.
1	2	3

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Column 1 - Items: Enter the description of the items as given. Make a single separate entry for each size and type of ammunition listed and include in list of ammunition items only those items which were on hand as of report date or expended during period.

Column 2 - Rounds on hand, exclusive of rounds drawn for training: Enter the quantities of serviceable ammunition on hand in your command in rounds, exclusive of rounds drawn for training.

Column 3 - Rounds expended and/or lost in combat: Enter the quantities lost and expended in combat during the period covered by the report. Expenditures and losses will be quantities actually expended or lost. The quantities transferred from depot stocks to troops will not be reported as expended. No report of expenditure in training is required.

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MEMORANDUM)

NO. 65-9)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

REPORTING OF NEW METHODS AND PROCEDURES

SECTION

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PROCESSING OF SUGGESTIONS..... II

I. GENERAL.

1. It is the policy of the Army Air Forces to encourage the submission of beneficial suggestions by military personnel of new methods, gadgets, devices, inventions and other ideas.

2. New methods and devices originated by units in the field have been received from time to time and are now incorporated in Technical Maintenance Instructions and Technical Orders. Such new methods and devices are a definite aid to efficient operation, and other development is desirable.

3. Every encouragement should be given both officers and enlisted men to use their ingenuity in developing new ideas. Recognition should be given by forwarding all noteworthy information concerning new methods and equipment through channels for study as to possible adoption in the Air Forces. Recognition for suggestions may also consist of recommendations for the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, consideration for promotion, or a letter of commendation.

4. The experience gained from operations in this theatre can thus be passed on to other units in the field and in many cases may be of value to Air Forces in other theatres of operation and Air Bases in the Continental United States.

II. PROCESSING OF SUGGESTIONS.

5. The provisions of this memorandum apply to all personnel under the jurisdiction of this Command submitting suggestions, including personnel of all Arms and Services.

6. Suggestions on the following subjects are invited:

- Conservation of manpower, material, time or space.
- Elimination of unnecessary processes or improvement of existing methods.
- Increased productivity.
- Elimination of excess or improvement of existing toolings and equipment.
- Invention of mechanical devices which, when adopted, prove to be of value.
- Conservation of Critical material and the utilization of material previously scrapped.

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- g. Improvement of conditions affecting safety and health.
- h. Improvement of quality.

7. Suggestions are not limited to those mentioned in paragraph 5 above but may include all suggestions which might aid the individual unit, the command, or the Air Forces in general, in the accomplishment of their mission.

8. Suggestions submitted should include when applicable:

- a. Estimate of its benefits.
- b. Drawings or photographs.
- c. Materials required.
- d. Detailed operational procedure.
- e. Name, rank, Serial Number, and unit of the person responsible for the suggestion.
- f. Any other pertinent facts helpful to other units which may be able to use the suggestion.

9. The suggestions should be thoroughly documented as to subject matter with a clear estimate of its benefits to the command and forwarded through command channels so as to reach this Headquarters in triplicate. Drawings or blueprints and pictures of gadgets, devices, or inventions should be included if possible.

10. If the suggestion is found to have merit it will be forwarded by this Headquarters to the Director, Air Technical Service Command Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, for possible dissemination through the medium of Air Technical Service Command publications and Technical Orders.

11. If a suggestion is found to have military value, the Air Technical Service Command will refer it to the Air Judge Advocate, Headquarters, Army Air Forces for the purpose of patenting to protect the rights of the individual submitting the idea and the United States Government as provided in AR 850-50. If the suggestion is found to be patentable, the Air Judge Advocate will correspond directly with the individual with respect to all matters relating to patent protection.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, ACD,
Adjutant General

RUSSEL L. PUTMAN
Lt Col, Air Corps
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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

NO. 65-10)

QUARTERMASTER SUPPLIES

1. All service groups or service teams assigned or attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will submit bi-monthly Ration Strength Returns to this headquarters as of the 15th and last day of each month listing the following information:

a. Units serviced (name and numerical designation) - Ration strength by unit - location of unit serviced.

b. Supply point from which Quartermaster supplies are drawn as follows:

- (1) Class I - Location of supply point - name of supplying unit.
- (2) Class III - Location of supply point - name of supplying unit.
- (3) Class II & IV - Location of supply point - name of supplying unit.

2. Separate units assigned or attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will submit bi-monthly Ration Strength Returns direct to this headquarters as of the 15th and last day of each month listing the following information:

a. Ration strength of unit - location of unit.

b. Information as in paragraph 1 b above.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt Colonel, AC
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MEMORANDUM

NO. 65-11)

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES

1. Purpose. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a policy governing the assignment direction and use of civilian technical representatives within the jurisdiction of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. Assignments. Administrative Control over civilian factory technical representatives in the European Theater of Operations is exercised by the Commanding General, ASC, USSTAF, in accordance with USSTAF Memorandum dated 3 January 1945 Subject "Administrative Control of Factory Representatives Section." Representatives, however, attached to First Tactical Air Force (Prov) by the Commanding General, ASC, USSTAF, will be under the direct administrative control of the Director of Maintenance, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) as long as they are attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The Commanding General, ASC, USSTAF, may from time to time recall or issue instructions to Technical representatives in this Air Force, but such instructions will always be accomplished through the Director of Maintenance, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).

3. Reports. In accordance with AAF Regulation 40-3 dated 10 June 1943 civilian technical representatives are required to submit weekly technical reports concerning AAF equipment furnished by the concerns which they represent, directly to the Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Ohio, apart from any reports that may be required of them by their companies. The following is the procedure to be followed by the technical representatives attached for duty within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for the submission of reports as required above.

a. Technical reports as required in AAF Regulation 40-3 will be prepared weekly by the technical representative, and addressed to Headquarters, Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

b. All reports to the Air Technical Service Command, outlined in 3a above will be made as an original and six copies with distribution as follows.

(1). The original and three (3) copies will be forwarded to the Headquarters First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention Director of Maintenance. The Director of Maintenance First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), will forward the original and two copies to Air Technical Service Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and retain one copy for file.

(2). One copy plainly marked information will be forwarded to the engineering officer, of the Tactical Group being serviced by the representative.

(3). One copy plainly marked information will be forwarded to the Commanding Officer of the Service Group in which the report is being made. This copy will be marked for the attention of the engineering officer.

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(4) One copy plainly marked "Information Copy" will be mailed directly to: Factory Representatives Section, RADA, ASC, USSTAF, APO 633, U.S. Army, Attention: Colonel Starr.

c. All reports and communications prepared by a representative for the ultimate attention of his manufacturer will be sent directly to AAF Technical Censor and will be addressed as follows:

AAF Technical Censor
Headquarters Army Air Forces
Washington, D. C.

for forwarding to:

Blank Aviation Corporation
City:
State:

d. Such reports and communications referred to in paragraph 3c above will be forwarded to the Technical Censor through Headquarters First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) attention: Director of Maintenance. They will be considered as official mail and forwarded directly to the AAF Technical Censor.

e. All dispatches from manufacturers to technical representatives will be addressed to representatives at their APO number in accordance with Circular 369, WD 1042.

4. Duties Technical representatives attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be assigned to various units of the Air Force by First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Director of Maintenance. The duties of technical representatives assigned to units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be as follows:

a. To follow the instructions given by Director of Maintenance, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) insofar as assignment within the airforce.

b. To assist the units to which assigned on all technical matters pertaining to the product which they represent.

c. To notify the Director of Maintenance, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) of their location at all times by means of arrival and departure teletypes at all stations or Air Force installations visited by them.

5. Privileges Technical representatives assigned to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be accorded the same privileges as commissioned officers, with regard to accommodations, transportation, messing, and emergency medical facilities. They will be provided every facility and all possible assistance to permit the efficient performance of their mission within the limits of military necessity.

6. Uniforms The official uniform for technical representatives assigned to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be that of a commissioned officer less all insignia of grade, or arm, or service; and without officers piping, hat cord, or insignia on head gear. The uniform will be worn at all times by technical representatives when serving with Army Air Forces in combat areas. The non-combatant insignia will be worn as directed in AR 600-35. Articles of special clothing and equipment normally issued to officers may be issued to technical representatives. These articles must be turned in prior to departure from the theater of operations.

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7. Credentials. Technical representatives assigned to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) must have in their possession at all times the following: a.) WD AF, Form No. 133, issued by Headquarters Air Technical Service Command, Army Air Forces, b.) WD AGO Form No. 65-4, c.) Certificate of Identity of Non-Combatants (See par VI WD Cir 33, 1941) d.) Form 81, Immunization Register e.) Identification tags. f.) A valid passport. g.) Orders issued by this Headquarters attaching or assigning them to duty with their respective units. h.) Letter Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) relative to maintenance of vehicles. and i.) Letter Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) relative to their status while serving with this Air Force. Upon the termination of the representative's service for any reason, these credentials will be surrendered to Headquarters, Air Technical Service Command, Army Air Forces. These identification cards are in addition to any other credentials which may be issued by Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

8. Transportation. Technical representatives assigned to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), will be furnished Government transportation in accordance with AF Regulation 40-3 dated 10 June 1943.

a. A vehicle may be assigned to a technical representative in the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) if his duties warrant its usage. No permanent assignment of a vehicle to a technical representative will be made unless approval is received from First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) Director of Maintenance.

b. Technical representatives are authorized to travel in military aircraft or any other aircraft available to the Army Air Forces, in the efficient performance of their mission.

c. Technical representatives and their baggage will be transported at government expense in accordance with contract agreement.

9. Travel. Travel orders will be issued to Civilian Technical Representatives of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for the performance of their mission in the following manner:

a. Travel orders from First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Headquarters, to attachment with a unit or units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be issued by this Headquarters.

b. Wing Commanders and Tactical Group commanders, will issue all travel orders for Technical Representatives from their Headquarters to and from other units within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and to such other places within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) area as are necessary for the proper accomplishment of their mission.

c. Orders for travel beyond the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) area when on routine business (as distinguished from business of an emergency nature) will be issued by the Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). Requests for such orders will be directed to Headquarters First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) attention Director of Maintenance at least 36 hours in advance.

d. In emergency cases, Wing Commanders and Tactical Group Commanders, are authorized to issue orders directing travel outside the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) area. In such cases, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) attention Director of Maintenance, will be notified immediately that such orders are being issued, the destination and the nature of the emergency.

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10. General. Civilian Technical Representatives accompanying or serving with the Armies of the United States are subject to Military Law. Technical Representatives operating in combat areas are lawful belligerents and will be treated as prisoners of war in the event of capture by the enemy provided they are properly uniformed and in possession of the following: (1) Certificate of Identification WD AAF Form No. 133 (2) WD AGO Form No. 65-4, (3) Certificate of Identity of Non-Combatants. Under international rules of warfare, they are required to give only their names and designated status. Under no circumstances will they give the enemy information of military nature.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt. Col., Air Corps
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGO,
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NO. 65-12)

14 January 1945

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

AUTHORIZATION FOR REFUELING UNITS

1. Authorization has been granted this Command by SHAEE Air Staff, teletype No. M/C/127/3, dated 3 January 1945, for refueling units as outlined below. These figures include the T/O & E authorization under which units are equipped and are not to be interpreted as over and above T/O & E allowances.

<u>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>COMPLETE F-2 UNIT WITH TWO TRAILERS DOLLY AND TRACTOR</u>	<u>TRAILER F-3</u>	<u>TRUCK FUEL & OIL F-3</u>
HQ SQ T. A. C.		2	1
HQ SQ FIGHTER WING		2	1
HQ SQ BOMB WING		2	1
FIGHTER SQ (TE)		8	4
FIGHTER SQ (SE)		6	4
BOMB SQ MEDIUM	2	4	2
TAC RECON SQ	1	4	2
NIGHT FIGHTER SQ		6	3
PHOTO RECON SQ		6	3
SERVICE SQ	4	2	1
DEPOT REPAIR SQ			1
HQ SQ ADG		2	1
DEPOT SUPPLY SQ		2	1

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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MEMORANDUM

NO. 65-19

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE - TECHNICAL MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS
AND TEMPORARY TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS - COMPLIANCE

(This Memorandum supersedes Memorandum 65-19, dated 11 January 1945)

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum is to set forth the policy of this Headquarters on Technical Maintenance Instructions and Temporary Maintenance Instructions including compliance and reporting compliance status.

2. DEFINITIONS:

a. Technical Maintenance Instruction (T.M.I.)

(1) T.M.I.'s are USSTAF Publications containing instructions for modifying or otherwise correcting an unsatisfactory condition on Army Air Forces equipment and are used until such time as a Technical Order is published on the subject. Technical Orders generally supersede and cancel Technical Maintenance Instructions by the nature of their technical instructions only.

b. Temporary Technical Instruction (T.T.M.I. or T.M.T.I.)

(1) T.T.M.I.'s or T.M.T.I.'s are Air Force Publications containing instructions for modifying or otherwise correcting an unsatisfactory condition in Army Air Forces equipment and are used as an expedient on matters, and only those matters requiring immediate corrective action encountered in the Air Force which are not otherwise covered by a T.M.I. or a Technical Order. A copy of the T.T.M.I. or T.M.T.I. issued by an Air Force is transmitted to Headquarters, BADA, USSTAF, where determination is made as to whether such instruction is to be published as a T.M.I. for the whole Theater, or for the Air Force initiating such action, or otherwise changed. T.T.M.I.'s or T.M.T.I.'s therefore are generally superseded or canceled by a Technical Maintenance Instruction or a Technical Order.

3. COMPLIANCE:

a. T.M.I. Compliance with Technical Maintenance Instructions will be as directed in the body of the publication.

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b. T.T.M.I. or T.M.T.I. There are presently being distributed to units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions originating from Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), as well as T.M.T.I.'s from Headquarters, Ninth Air Force. (Reference: First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memorandum No 5-4 dated 7 January 1945). Compliance with Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions originating from the Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be as directed in the body of the publication. Compliance with T.M.T.I.'s originating from the Ninth Air Force, dated 1 December 1944, and subsequent will not be made until authority for compliance is obtained from Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov). Requests for such authority for compliance should be directed to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) Attention: Director of Maintenance.

NOTE: All T.M.T.I.'s originating from the Ninth Air Force dated prior to 1 December 1944, will be complied with as directed in the body of the publication.

c. T.M.I.'s superseding or cancelling T.T.M.I.'s or T.M.T.I.'s. When Technical Maintenance Instructions are published which supersede or cancel a Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction or T.M.T.I. there are frequently requirements as described in the Technical Maintenance Instruction which are not in exact accord with instructions contained in the Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction or T.M.T.I. In such cases there is generally a statement in the Technical Maintenance Instruction substantially to the effect "Installations made as per Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction or T.M.T.I., hereby superseded (need not be) (must be) changed to meet exact requirements of this Technical Maintenance Instruction." with the inapplicable phrase in parenthesis deleted. All future instances where the above quoted statement is not included in a T.M.I. which supersedes a Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction, or T.M.T.I., and there is a difference in the installation requirements of the two technical publications the problem including all details will be submitted to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), Attention: Director of Maintenance, for final decision.

NOTE: The above also applies in principle to Technical Orders which in effect supersede Technical Maintenance Instructions or Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions.

d. Special. The possibility exists that upon compliance with a Technical Maintenance Instruction, a Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction or a T.M.T.I. on a percentage of the total quantity of Army Air Force equipment, subsequent operations may indicate that the Technical Maintenance Instruction, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instruction or T.M.T.I. in its present form has not satisfactorily accomplished its purpose. In such cases this Headquarters, Attention: Director of Maintenance, will be furnished all details wherein the Technical Publication is unsatisfactory and will include a request that compliance on the remaining equipment be curtailed or suspended. This Headquarters will make an immediate investigation and will notify the originating organization or, if deemed necessary, all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) of the proper action to be taken.

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4. INDEX TO T.M.I.'s, T.T.M.I.'s AND T.M.T.I.'s.

a. The basic index for Technical Maintenance Instructions is published and distributed by Headquarters, BADA, USSTAF, as T.M.I. 00-1- series. Periodic revisions of this index are published as necessary such as T.M.I. 00-1-7 dated 1 October 1944, or in some cases such as T.M.I. 00-1-7A dated 1 November 1944. It should be noted that the latter publication is a supplement and must be used in conjunction with T.M.I. 00-1-7 dated 1 October 1944.

b. Index to Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions issued by First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be published and distributed by this Headquarters periodically as T.T.M.I. 00-1- series. These will be revised periodically as warranted by the number of T.T.M.I.'s published during any period.

c. Index to Temporary Maintenance Technical Instructions (T.M.T.I.'s) issued by the Ninth Air Force will be revised by Headquarters, Ninth Air Force periodically and distributed by Headquarters, BADA, USSTAF, as T.M.T.I. 00-1- series such as T.M.T.I. 00-1-14 dated 1 December 1944.

5. FILES OF T.M.I., T.T.M.I. AND T.M.T.I. A separate file will be maintained and kept concurrent Form (Reference First Tactical Air Force Memorandum No. 5-4 dated 7 January 1945.)

a. Technical Maintenance Instructions (USSTAF).

b. Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions (First Tactical Air Force (Prov)).

c. Temporary Maintenance Technical Instructions (T.M.T.I.'s) (Ninth Air Force).

NOTE: These publications are as valuable and as mandatory to an organization as Technical Orders; and therefore the same principles involved with maintaining Technical Order files should be applied to the maintenance of files for these publications. It is suggested therefore that the personnel charged with maintaining Technical Order files be likewise charged with maintaining files for these publications.

6. D/M Form No. 65-12 - Compliance Status Report.

a. The Compliance Status Report Form 65-12 has been designed to accomplish the following specific purposes:

- (1) To report compliance status of all Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions and T.M.T.I.'s on all aircraft and equipment.
- (2) To act as an automatic requisition for publications not available to the reporting organization. (Note: Those organizations not required to submit report Form 65-12 but required to maintain files of Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions and T.M.T.I.'s will submit requisitions in accordance with Memorandum 15-4, dated 24 January 1945, and Memorandum 65-17, dated 24 January 1945.

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- (3) To report the number of kits required to comply with the various Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions and Temporary Maintenance Technical Instructions.
- (4) To report those Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions and T.M.T.I.'s which are not deemed necessary for compliance by the reporting organization group commanding officer.

To accomplish the above, it is imperative that the information submitted in the report be accurate in every detail. No information is better than misinformation.

b. The Compliance Status Report Form 65-13 has been compiled into various sections based on the latest indices (Technical Maintenance Instruction 00-1-8, dated 1 December 1944, Technical Maintenance Instruction 00-1-8A, dated 1 January 1945, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions 01-1-1, dated 31 January 1945, Ninth Air Force Temporary Maintenance Technical Instruction 00-1-11, dated 1 December 1944, and 00-1-13, dated 1 January 1945) and information available as of 15 February 1945. These sections are as follows:

(1) Technical Maintenance Instruction (USSTMF)

Section I - General	Section IV - P-38
Section II - B-26	Section V - C-47
Section III - P-47	Section VI - P-51

(2) Temporary Maintenance Technical Instruction (Ninth Air Force)

Section VII - General	Section X - P-38
Section VIII - B-26	Section XI - C-47
Section IX - P-47	Section XII - P-51

(3) Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions (First Tactical Air Force (Prov))

Section XIII - P-47

c. General: The headings at the top of each column on D/M Form No. 65-13 are self-explanatory, however, special attention should be given to the following columns:

- (1) The second and third columns contain the publication, name and number, and the date of the publication. Reporting organizations should check their publications to assure that their files of Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions and T.M.T.I.'s correspond to the publications listed. It is anticipated at the receipt of these forms (D/M Form 65-13), and pending issuance of revised forms that new or revised Technical Publications will be received by reporting units. In these instances, reporting units will list such additions in the space provided at the end of each.

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sub-section or if sufficient space is not available, on a separate sheet attached to report. Furthermore, should instructions be received by reporting units indicating that one of the listed publications has been rescinded or superseded by a Technical Order, the rescinded or superseded publication number will be lined out (example: -65-561-41-) and authority for such action indicated in the Remarks column.

- (2) This column will act as an automatic requisition for the publication. If the required number of copies are available for files in accordance with Memorandum 65-17, dated 24 January 1945, enter "X" in YES column. If sufficient copies are not, enter under NO column the number of copies required.

Pub. on Hand
YES NO

- (3) An "X" has been entered in this column by this Headquarters for those publications on which compliance is mandatory, based on text of publication and decision by this Headquarters. Should an organization consider a publication not applicable which has been indicated as mandatory on the Form 65-13, they will enter in the Remarks Column - NOT APPLICABLE (Reference paragraph 3. (Compliance of this Memorandum).

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- (4) Compliance with Technical Maintenance Instruction, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions or T.M.T.I.'s in many instances is a Group Commanding Officer's Decision. An "X" will be entered in the appropriate column for those publications where an "X" has not been entered in the Compliance Mandator column as described in paragraph 6c (3) above.

Gr. C.O. Decision on Mod.
YES NO

- (5) These columns will act as an indication to supply channels of the required number of kits to comply with the publication. (See paragraph 6a (3) of this Memorandum.). An "X" has been entered by this Headquarters in the appropriate kit required column to indicate whether kits are necessary to make the modification. Reporting organizations will report number of kits on-hand and number of kits required in the appropriate columns.

Supply Data			
Kit	No.	No.	
Req'd	Kits	Kits	
YES NO	Hand	Req'd	

7. By Whom Submitted: D/H Form 65-13 will be submitted on 15th and 30th of each month by Tactical Squadrons, Service Groups assigned Transport Aircraft and Air Depot Groups assigned Transport Aircraft and Service Squadrons in accordance with the following:

a. Tactical Squadrons assigned B-26 Aircraft

THI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
THI Section II - B-26
THI Section VII - General
THI Section VIII - B-26

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b. Tactical Squadrons assigned P-47 Aircraft

TMI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
TMI Section III - P-47
TMI Section VII - General
TMI Section IX - P-47
TMI Section XIII - P-47

c. Tactical Squadrons assigned F-5 (P-38) Aircraft

TMI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
TMI Section IV - P-38
TMI Section VII - General
TMI Section X - P-38

d. Tactical Squadrons assigned F-6 (P-51) Aircraft

TMI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
TMI Section VI - P-51
TMI Section VII - General
TMI Section XII - P-51

e. Service Group or Air Depot Group assigned C-47 Aircraft

TMI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
TMI Section V - C-47
TMI Section VII - General
TMI Section XI - C-47
(Note: Sections I and VIII will be prepared on C-47 equipment only and not on Service Squadron's Equipment.)

f. Service Squadrons

TMI Section I - General and Letter of Transmittal
TMI Section VII - General

g. Reporting organizations will forward copies as follows:

a. Tactical Squadrons: The original and two copies of each section as required in paragraph 7 above will be prepared and submitted as follows:

- (1) The original will be forwarded through the Tactical Group direct to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Attn: Director of Maintenance.
- (2) One copy will be submitted to Air Corps Supply for processing in accordance with paragraph 9 of this Memorandum.
- (3) File one copy.

b. Service Group or Air Depot Groups assigned C-47 Aircraft: The original and two copies of each section as required in paragraph 7 (c) above will be prepared and submitted as follows:

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- (1) The original will be forwarded direct to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Attn: Director of Maintenance.
- (2) One copy will be submitted to Air Corps Supply for processing in accordance with paragraph 9 of this Memorandum.
- (3) File one copy.

c. Service Squadrons: The original and two copies of each section as required in paragraph 7 (f) above will be prepared and submitted as follows:

- (1) The original will be forwarded through Service Group direct to Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), Attn: Director of Maintenance.
- (2) One copy will be submitted to Air Corps Supply for processing in accordance with paragraph 9 of this Memorandum.
- (3) File one copy.

9. Supply Organization Responsibility: The supply data column of this report will be used by supply organizations for determining the number of kits required by the various squadrons to comply with modification requirements. As indicated in paragraph 8 above, one copy of D/M Form 65-13 will be submitted to Air Corps Supply. This report form will be thoroughly checked and the necessary expeditious action will be taken to fill requisitions submitted in order that modifications may be made on aircraft and equipment as required.

10. Letter of Transmittal: A letter of transmittal as attached to Section I, General, will be submitted by all reporting organizations. Paragraph 3 of the letter of transmittal should include any errors found in D/M Form 65-13 and its various sections. Any comments or recommendations should be made in order that future revisions of the form may be improved.

11. Supply of D/M Form 65-13: It will not be necessary for reporting units to reproduce this form. Sufficient copies for 3 months supply have been distributed to the reporting organizations upon distribution of this Memorandum. Requisitions for D/M Form 65-13 will be made to this Headquarters, Attn: Director of Maintenance.

NOTE: D/M Form 65-13 has not been distributed to organizations not required to report compliance status.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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14 January, 1945

MEMORANDUM

NO. 65-14

SUPPLY & MAINTENANCE

BEAUFIGHTER MAINTENANCE

1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a procedure to be followed when Beaufighter aircraft operated by units of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) are damaged beyond unit ability to repair, or to such a degree that a replacement aircraft is required to maintain squadron operational efficiency while squadron personnel are effecting repair.

2. CATEGORY. The Squadron engineering officer will be responsible for categorizing aircraft as follows:

a. Category A - aircraft can be repaired on site by squadron or service team personnel but repairs will take such a time that a replacement aircraft is necessary to maintain squadron operational efficiency.

b. Category "AC Provisional, 85 Group request to Detail" - aircraft damaged beyond the capacity of squadron or service team to repair, but considered possible to repair on site by IAF working party with additional equipment or experience with aircraft type.

c. Category E1 - an aircraft damaged beyond repair but from which serviceable or repairable parts can be removed.

d. Category E2 - aircraft a complete write off.

e. Category "Fly-in Repair" and "Major Overhaul" - aircraft in flyable condition but requiring repair beyond squadron and service team capacity or major inspections.

3. PROCEDURES.

a. Tactical Unit.

- (1) When aircraft is classified "Category A", the squadron engineering officer will proceed with repairs as expeditiously as possible and will pass to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command information necessary for the "Casualty" TVM (see Appendix I). When repairs are completed the Commanding General XII Tactical Air Command will be informed and disposal instructions requested for the aircraft. Aircraft and engine log books will accompany the aircraft on disposal.

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- (2) When aircraft is classified "Category AC Provisional, 85 Group Request to Detail", the Squadron Engineering Officer will be responsible for seeing that the aircraft is guarded until inspected by an inspector from 85 Group, RAF; for carry out inhibiting and other first aid treatment as necessary, and for passing to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command information necessary for the "Casualty" TWX (see Appendix I).
- (3) When aircraft is classified "Category E", the squadron engineering officer will be responsible for the removal of serviceable or reparable parts (all reparable parts and serviceable parts not required for squadron use are to be returned to No. 3 Base Recovery Unit, RAF, YPRES) and will pass to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command information necessary for the "Casualty" TWX (see Appendix I).
- (4) When aircraft is classified "Category E2" no action is necessary other than to pass to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command information necessary for the "Casualty" TWX (see Appendix I) unless the crashed aircraft forms an obstruction. In this case the obstruction should be cleared.
- (5) When the aircraft is classified - "Category Fly-In Repair" or - "Category Major Overhaul" the squadron engineering officer will pass to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command information required for the "Casualty" TWX. The aircraft will be prepared for flight to No. 110 Maintenance Unit (Aircraft) RAF at Brindisi. It will be dispatched on receipt of instructions from the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command. Aircraft are to be delivered complete with Column 9 Appendix "A" equipment (less pyrotechnics, R.P., bombs and ammunition where practicable). The pilot delivering the aircraft will be given the Aircraft and Engine Log Books and a note from the Squadron Engineer Officer stating:
 - (a) The aircraft and engine type, mark and number.
 - (b) The unit flying the aircraft.
 - (c) Reasons for the aircraft being flown in together with any major defect requiring special attention e.g., "major inspection, temporary repairs carried out to fuselage 10 hours previously and requiring reexamination."
 - (d) Class II modifications outstanding.

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- (1) Category A - Upon receipt of necessary information from the Squadron Engineering Officer, the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command will forward "Casualty" TWX in form shown in Appendix I to; Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear) and First Tactical Air Force Service Command, attention: Director of Maintenance (info). Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force will arrange replacement aircraft. When damaged aircraft has been repaired the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command will request disposal instructions from Mediterranean Allied Air Force, and pass them to the Squadron Engineering Officer.
- (2) Category "AC Provisional - 85 Group Requested to Detail". "Casualty" TWX will be addressed to; Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear), Headquarters, 85 Group, RAF and First Tactical Air Force Service Command (info). 85 Group will send an inspector who will either recategorise the aircraft "AC", E, or E2. If "AC" he will arrange for an RAF party to effect repairs and the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command will request disposal instructions from Mediterranean Allied Air Force on completion. If however, it is recategorised E or E2, XII Tactical Air Command will send a second casualty signal with the new category to; Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear), Headquarters, 85 Group RAF, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (info) and will instruct the Squadron Engineering Officer to take action as set out in paragraphs 3 a (3) and 3 a (4). Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force will arrange for a replacement aircraft on receipt of the original TWX.
- (3) Category E1 or E2 - "Casualty" TWX will be addressed to; Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear), and First Tactical Air Force Service Command (info). Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force will arrange for a replacement aircraft.
- (4) Category "Fly-In Repair" and "Major Overhaul" - Casualty TWX to be sent by the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command to; Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear), Headquarters, 85 Group, RAF, No 151 Repair Unit (Aircraft) RAF, and First Tactical Air Force Service Command, attention: Director of Maintenance (info). When "Casualty" TWX has been sent Engineer Officer of Squadron

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will be instructed to dispatch aircraft. This should not be done within 24 hours of dispatch of TWX. Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Force will arrange for replacement aircraft.

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APPENDIX I

Form of "Casualty" TX

1. The subject matter of the message is to begin with the originators reference number and date followed by the letter "FB", "FA", "FC" or "EA" (see paragraph 2 below as to when these letters are to be used) followed by:

- a. Type mark and number (or identification letters) of aircraft.
- b. Engine number or numbers if 1a is not available and in cases covered by paragraph 3 below.
- c. Unit to which aircraft belongs and if on transfer flight details of consignor and consignee units.
- d. Present location of aircraft (airfield number or map reference), date and time of crash.
- e. Details of casualties.
- f. Whether carrying bombs or other specialist material.
- g. Apparent cause of crash.
- h. Brief particulars of damage followed by words "Category A", "Category AC Provisional - 85 Group Requested to Detail", "Category E2", "Category Fly-In Repair" or "Category Major Overhaul" as applicable.

2. "F.B." will be confined to (a) Operational flying: Casualties or accidents whether directly due to enemy action or not and (b) Non operational flying: Casualties or accidents directly due to enemy action. When "F.B." casualties or accidents are definitely due to enemy action, the words "enemy action" are to be included under item G. "F.A." will be confined to casualties or accidents occurring during non-operational flying and not directly due to enemy action. "E.A." will be confined to aircraft damaged on the ground by enemy action. When it is unknown to the unit first reporting the casualty or accident whether the category is "F.B." or "F.A." the letters "F.C." indicating "flying casualty" are to be used.

3. Aircraft are frequently discovered in such a badly damaged condition that the airframe number is indecipherable; although sometimes the engine or power plant number can be read. The engine number or numbers should, therefore, be given in all cases when the crew left the aircraft by parachute or the aircraft is missing.

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4. The following is given as an example of Typical Casualty TWX:

From: Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command

To: Headquarters, II AF
Headquarters, 2nd TAF (Rear)
Headquarters, 85 Group, RAF
1st TACAF Service Command (info)

TX 123 24/12

FA

A. Beaufighter Mark VI LN 123

B. 654 Squadron

C. Airfield F 47 23/12

1400 Hrs.

D. No casualty

E. None

F. Failure of under carriage to lower

G. Cat. AC - 85 Group request to detail.

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10 February 1945

MEMORANDUM
NO. 65-14A

SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

REPAIR/MAINTENANCE

(Memorandum 65-14, this Headquarters 14 January 1945, is amended as follows:)

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3b. (1) So much as reads, "2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear)" is deleted.

3b. (3) So much as reads "Headquarters 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear)" is deleted.

3b. (4) So much as reads, "Headquarters, 2nd Tactical Air Force (Rear), Headquarters, 85 Group, R.A.F., No. 115 Repair Unit (Aircraft) R.A.F." is deleted.

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By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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14 January 1945

MEMORANDUM)

NO. 65-15)

MAINTENANCE

CRASHED OR FORCED DOWN ALLIED AIRCRAFT

1. Purpose: The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a procedure for reporting, guarding and disposing of Allied aircraft crashed, force landed or otherwise severely damaged in accidents in the sector occupied by the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional).

2. General: Service personnel and equipment will be concentrated on those aircraft which can be most speedily returned to operational status in this theatre. When personnel and equipment trained and assigned to maintaining operational aircraft cannot be spared, or when it is impractical for reasons of other military necessity, to dismantle and transport crashed, force landed or otherwise severely damaged aircraft to collecting points, such aircraft may be abandoned or destroyed. Ordinarily an aircraft which has been determined, by a service unit or other competent personnel, to be beyond economical repair will be stripped of items critical to the Army Air Forces, and thereafter the residue will be piled in a manner and location not constituting a hazard or obstacle to transportation, cultivation, communications or operations, and consistent with military necessity. Ultimate disposal or abandonment of residue is contemplated in the future. Supply items critical to the Army Air Forces are listed as Appendix "A" to this memorandum. In the interest of overall efficiency in this theatre units of the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) will cooperate with each other in the repair and disposition of crashed airplanes, consideration being given to location of the aircraft and work loads of the units.

3. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY:

a. Ground Force Units: It is the responsibility of all ground force unit commanders, as set forth in ETOUSA Circulars 48 and 54, 1943, regardless of location, to report to the nearest air force installation or airstrip all aircraft that have been forced down, or crashed, or otherwise severely damaged in accidents in the territory under their control. To facilitate and expedite proper action the report will include as much of the following information as possible:

- (1) Type aircraft
- (2) Aircraft number
- (3) Exact location of crash or accident (include grid coordinates and location of nearest town)
- (4) Air force to whom aircraft assigned

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- (5) Extent of damage to aircraft (intact, repairable, possible salvage, completely demolished)
- (6) Location of crew and extent of injury, if any.

b. First Tactical Air Force Units: It is the responsibility of all First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commanders to report all aircraft crashed, forced down or otherwise severely damaged in accidents, including those reported to them by ground force units, to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional), attention: Director of Maintenance. These reports to be made by teletype or telephone will be as comprehensive as possible and include all information available as required in paragraph 3a above. Further, if a crashed, forced down or otherwise severely damaged aircraft is on or in the immediate vicinity of the unit commander reporting the incident, there will be included in the report the following:

- (1) Action being taken by the service unit to repair aircraft.
- (2) Approximate time required to put airplane in flyable condition.
- (3) Action being taken by the service unit to salvage aircraft.
- (4) Contemplated disposition of salvaged parts and equipment.
- (5) In the event airplane is completely demolished, recommendations as to disposition (abandon, destroy, remove to collecting point, or remove to another location in view of its constituting a hazard as outlined in paragraph 2 above).
- (6) Assistance required, if any.

NOTE: The above is a special report for immediate use of First Tactical Air Force Service Command and should not be construed as replacing the requirements set forth in AAF Regulation No. 62-14 dated 26 May, 1942.

4. GUARDING RESPONSIBILITY:

a. Ground Force Units: It is the responsibility of all ground force unit commanders, as set forth in ETOUSA Circulars 48 and 54, 1943 to guard, any aircraft crashed, forced down or otherwise severely damaged in accidents reported by them to an air force installation or airstrip until properly relieved by air force personnel.

b. First Tactical Air Force Units: It is the responsibility of all First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commanders to guard aircraft crashed, forced down or otherwise severely damaged in accidents, and reported by them to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional). In those instances when a ground force unit commander reports a crashed aircraft to a First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commander the latter will dispatch guards, when available, to the scene of the crash to release ground force unit personnel. In no instance will personnel trained and assigned to maintaining aircraft be assigned to guard duty unless in the opinion of the unit commander such personnel are available for guard duty, consideration being given to the maintenance work load of the unit. It is further the responsibility of all First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commanders to insure that ground force unit

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guards are relieved by air force guards within a reasonable length of time. When it has been determined that personnel are not available for guard duty or when guards are impractical for reasons of other military necessity, First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commanders are authorized to notify the ground force units that guarding of the aircraft is no longer required. In such instances Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) Attn: Director of Maintenance will be notified immediately.

5. REPAIR, RECLAMATION AND DISPOSITION RESPONSIBILITY:

a. Repair, reclamation and disposition of crashed, force landed or otherwise severely damaged aircraft is the responsibility of the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit commander who reports such instances to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional), within the capability and availability of personnel and equipment to accomplish such work and of other requirements of military necessity. The reporting unit commander may be relieved of this responsibility upon assignment by Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) of a service unit to repair, reclaim or dispose of the airplane.

b. Upon receipt of a report of a crashed, force landed or otherwise severely damaged aircraft of a type common to the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) and the report by the unit commander indicates that assistance is required to repair, reclaim or dispose of the aircraft, the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) may assign the nearest available service unit to the scene of the crash for the purpose of conducting such work of investigation. This policy will be adhered to insofar as possible. However, exceptions will be made when such assignment is impractical for reasons of other military necessity.

c. The First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) unit making final repair, reclamation or disposition of a crashed airplane is responsible for notifying the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) upon completion of repair, salvage or final disposition of the aircraft.

d. An aircraft that crashes in an inaccessible location thus preventing a service unit from salvaging more than small parts will be abandoned until more effort can be profitably spent on salvaging, providing there is no danger of the aircraft falling into enemy hands.

e. An aircraft that crashes in the proximity of an enemy ground force installation presenting a possibility of its being captured by the enemy will be destroyed, providing such equipment as may be salvaged without hazard to a service crew is removed.

f. No attempt will be made by service units of the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) to repair severely damaged aircraft not common to the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional), belonging to another air force or the Royal Air Force. The Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) will, however, request a service unit to investigate such crashes to determine the extent of damage and will report such information to the Air Force

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concerned. Slightly damaged aircraft belonging to another air force and of a type not common to this air force will be repaired and put in flyable condition, providing the work can be accomplished within 36 hours and repairs do not require special tools and equipment or publications and drawings, and further that proper authority has been received from Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional).

6. Ferrying: Arrangements for ferrying crashed aircraft which have been placed in flyable condition will be made by the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Provisional) upon request for disposition of the airplane by the service unit.

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NOTE: Appendix "A" referred to in paragraph 2 is presently being prepared and will be published at a later date. Until such time as Appendix "A" is published, First Tactical Air Force units will exercise their judgment as to what will be termed "critical items" of supply.

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APPENDIX A

CRITICAL PARTS LIST

There is included in this Appendix a general list of items for all airplanes and supplemental lists by part number, nomenclature and class for certain combat type airplanes or parts to be salvaged if repairable or serviceable. These lists will be used for reference by salvage crews and as many of the critical items salvaged as possible commensurate with the policy set forth in the basic memorandum 65-15, dated 14 January 1945.

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1. The following is general list of items to be salvaged from aircraft providing they are repairable or serviceable:

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Class</u>
	Accumulators	
	Automatic Flight Control Equipment	
	Batteries	
	Bomb Racks	
	Cannon Plugs (AN Series)	
	Carburetors	
	Cylinders	
	Door Assemblies (particularly B-17, B-24 and B-26)	
	Engines	
	Engine Mounts	
	Generators	
	Generator Voltage Relays and Regulators	
	Gunsights	
	Instruments	
	Landing Lamp assemblies	
	Magnetos	
	Oil Temperature Regulators	
	Oxygen Equipment	
	Photographic Equipment	
	Propeller Assemblies	
	Propeller Governors	
	Pumps and Valves	
	Retracting Mechanisms	
	Rheostats	
	Radio Sets	
	Starters	
	Struts	
	Superchargers	
	Switches	
	Tires and Tubes	
	Wheels and Brakes	
	Wings and Tail Group (particularly fighters)	

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2. The following are items listed by Part Number, Nomenclature, and class, by type of aircraft to be salvaged if repairable or serviceable.

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<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Class</u>
0121-313026	Aileron Assy R.H.	OLK
-313025	" " L.H.	"
-362725	Aileron Assy L.H.	"
-362726	" " R.H.	"
-262313-1	Arm Assy Torque	"
-312031-58	Aromatic Fuel System	"
-265098-10	Bracket Assy	"
-311422	Cable Assy Relay to Prop Motor	"
-385610	Cable	"
-270828	Casting Universal	"
-260530	Clip Bulkhead Fuselage	"
-269367	Collar	"
-311230	Control Mech Shackle	"
-363528-10	Control	"
-363528-30	Control	"
-272303	Cover Duct Lower Bulkhead Sta. 156.5	"
-266742	Cover Fuel Filler Outbrd Tank	"
-500138	Crank Landing Gear	"
-263892	Duct Installation Carb.	"
-345081	Duct Assy Carb. Air	"
-383800	Duct Assy Carburetor	"
-257055	Elevator Assy L.H.	"
-257056	" " R.H.	"
-365022	Elevator Assy	"
-257035	Flap Frame Assy L.H.	"
-257036	" " " R.H.	"
-257037	" " " Outer L.H.	"
-361391	Flap Assy L.H.	"
-361392	" " R.H.	"
-346927-1	Forging Bracket Nose Wheel	"
-384937	Handle	"
-383648	Hinge Assy Cowl Flap	"
-0312031-58	Hose	"
-263460	Installation Cowl Flap	"
-263871	Installation Cowl Flap Control	"
-384944	Nose Gear Emergency Operating	"
-263299	Panel Assy Cooler Duct	"
-259679	Plate	"
-259848	Plate Cover	"
-259863	Plate Assy Hinge Cover	"
-266981	Plate Handle Inspection	"
-501211	Push Pull Type Assy	"
-360717	Rib Forward	"
-378744-2	Ring Assy	"

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Part Number	Nomenclature	Class
0121-257063	Rudder Assy.	01X
-365000	Rudder Assy.	"
-386020	Rudder Assy.	"
-268772-10	Seat Assy Fatigue	"
-257053	Stabilizer Assy Horiz. L.H.	"
-257054	" " " R.H.	"
-365003	" " " L.H.	"
-365004	" " " R.H.	"
-261780	Stiffener	"
-263243	Support	"
-263244	Support Assy Eng. Hood Rear	"
-381788	Tab Control Assy	"
-384378	Tab. Assy. R.H.	"
-379214-10	Table Assy Nav.	"
-379161	Table Top	"
-263175-2	Tube Ring Reg. Support	"
-269120	Tube	"
-270250	Tube Hyd. System	"
-270250-3	" " "	"
-344562	Tube Instl. Bomb	"
-378835-3	Tube Hyd. Brake Line. R.H.	"
-4	" " " " "	"
-5	" " " " "	"
-378836	Tube Assy Brake Line	"
-265369	Yoke	"
4223-25250	Inverter Assy Type M.G. 149	03-G
-25258	" " " " 149F	"
4500-341520	Cylinder Assy.	03-F
-341500	" " Hyd. P/N 78824	"
4606-9866	Damper Assy	03-G
4900-342472	Absorber Flex Eng. Mount	03-J
6500-342680-3	Coupling P/N 112-6	"
6700-205650	Cock Drain	29
-205900	Cock Drain	29

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Part Number	Nomenclature	Class
0123-93C78140-R	Adapter Assy R.H.	01-N
-93C78140-L	Adapter Assy L.H.	"
-93C78500-2	Adapter Assy	"
-93A26000-L	Aileron Assy	"
-93A26000-R	Aileron Assy	"
-93A26000-50	Aileron Assy L. & R.	"
-89A26908	Bellows	"
-89F64167	Bracket Upper Control Starter	"
-89F82118	Bracket	"
-93C78113-1R	Bracket Assy	"
-93F68152-1	Cable Control Direct	"
-93J96573-1	Casting Cowl Flap Support	"
-93F65143-2	Channel Assy	"
-8-45-6	Connector Block	"
-89F8300	Cylinder Assy. Flow Equalizing	"
-89F68126-45	Duct Assy	"
-89F68258	Duct Assy	"
-89F67140-2	Exhaust Shell	"
-89F11808-R	Glass Windshield	"
-89L41101	Insert Aux. Spar Plate I.G.	"
-93C73127	Intake Assy	"
-93F12765	Mech. Assy Front Canopy	"
-43C75E	Oil Tank	"
-43080	Oil Tank	"
-93C78181-1	Panel Wing Tank Control Clamp	"
-89F11727-4	Scupper Assy Aux. Fuel Tank	"
-89F69142-8	Strap Assy Water Tank	"
-89J96603-6	Tube Assy Hyd. Lines	"
-89J96603-73	" " "	"
-89W21000-54L	Wing Assy	"
-89W21000-54R	Wing Assy	"
55L	" "	"
55R	" "	"
56L	" "	"
56R	" "	"
-89C2200-51	Wing Panel	"
-93W21500-11L	" "	"
-93W21500-2L	" "	"
-93W21500-2R	" Complete Right	"
4006-111071-2	Power Unit	03-1
-111070-2	" "	"
-104308-2	Relay	"
4118-38003	Control Assy	03-B
4103-57086	Piston Assy	"
-51449	Shoe Lining Assy	"
4203-44A 18837	Shield	03-C
4500-581000	Mirror Assy Rearview	03-F
4900-243800	Control Unit	03-J
-234775	" " Engine	"
6700-205650	Cock Drain	29

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<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Class</u>
0112-245864-2L	Angle Lower Shear Web	01-L
-245864-2R	" " " "	"
-245866-1	Angle Splice Fuselage	"
-197731-2	Boom Assy Aft.	"
-6B10397	Cover Assy Oil Cooler Relay L.H.	"
-198974-4	Duct Assy Carb. Air Scoop	"
-195605	Fairing Assy Rear View Mirror	"
-246523	Floor Landing Gear Cyl. Fuse Sta. 63-75	"
-196605-5	Hose Air Duct	"
-193841-25	Kielson Assy Camera	"
-201073-1	Leading Edge Wing	"
-193453	Pad Boom Door	"
-197442	Retainer Assy Red Rubber	"
-197284-22	Scoop Assy Intake	"
-193509	Skin Lower	"
-221707	Spacer Wing Flap Front Roller	"
-246111	Strainer Assy Tank	"
-197477-4	Strap Assy	"
-197124-2	Support Assy Coolant Radiator	"
-223020L	Tip Assy Stabilizer	"
-223020R	" " "	"
-196928-540	Tube Assy	"
-196929-540	" " "	"
-234569-24	Tube Assy	"
-222768L	Web Wing Assy	"
-185044-L	Wing Assy L.H. Complete	"
-185044-R	Wing Assy R.H. " "	"

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Part Number	Nomenclature	Class
0110-102-16000	Aileron Assy L.H.	01-M
-79-52615-2	Arm Flap Inboard	"
-79-52617	Arm Flap Torque Act. Outboard	"
-106-35544	Bell Crank Assy. L.G. Control	"
-102-44-32	Bell Crank Assy Prop Control Front	"
-106-44-33	Bellcrank	"
-106-355139	Bellcrank Assy	"
-106-355152	Bellcrank Assy L.G. Torque Tube	"
-109-54220	Box Assy	"
-106-318287-2	Cable Assy Cockpit Enclosure	"
-102-53399	Clamp	"
-102-31016-100	Covered Assy Fuse Sta. 159-182 3/4 Lower	"
-106-525172-2	Eyebolt Aileron Trim Tab	"
-106-525172-4	Eyebolt Aileron Brail	"
-102-35302	Fairing Assy L.G. L.H.	"
-102-35302-1	" " " R.H.	"
-62-537152	Fairing Strip Sta. 145-157 Upper Right	"
-62-537153	" " Wing Joint to Duct Lwr. Left	"
-62-537157	Fairing Strip Wing Joint to Duct Lwr. Right	"
-99-14129	Fitting Wing Sta. 135-5	"
-102-31945	Fitting Eng. Mount Diag. Brace L.H.	"
-109-48275	Fitting Assy Fuel Droppable Tank Pull Away	"
-106-53052	Floor Assy Cockpit Front Intermediate Right	"
-106-31589-1	Former Assy Cowling	"
-106-31116	Frame Assy Fuse Rear Complete	"
-106-318228	Glass Cockpit Enc. Windshield	"
-106-318230-1	Glass Cockpit Windshield R.H.	"
-106-318230	Glass " " L.H.	"
-106-14810	Handle Assy and Door Latch	"
-106-315277	Handle Assy	"
-106-318276	Handle Assy Cockpit Enclosure	"
-106-318277	Handle Assy Cockpit Enclosure Aft	"
-102-35456	Line Assy Hyd. Wing Sta.	"
-102-35499	Line Assy Hyd. Wing Sta.	"
-102-38802	Line Assy Hyd. Engine Nose	"
-334103	Line Assy Compensator to Bleeder Fitting	"
-334106	" " Hyd. Wing Sta.	"

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0110-102-46814	Line Coolant Radiator	01-M
-104-48869	Line Combat Fuel Pressure	"
-106-14316	Link Assy. Wing Arm. Box	"
-104-43141	Flato Quadrant	"
-102-43005	Quadrant Control	"
-104-43005	"	"
-105-59076	Rest Assy Pilots Head	"
-106-44066	Rod Assy Prop Pitch Control	"
-102-51025	Secop Assy	"
-102-16027	Seal Assy Filaron L.H.	"
-106-518279	Sector Assy Cockpit Encl.	"
	Canopy Act. Handle	"
-102-42019-2	Shroud Assy	"
-106-14029-1	Skin Assy Wing Sta. 75-100.5	"
	Leading Edge R.H.	"
-75-21001-100	Stabilizer Assy Horiz.	"
-97-58632	Stick Ryc. Fluid Ind. Dip	"
-102-47070	Support Assy Oil Cooler Radiator	"
-102-47070-50	Support Assy	"
-99-53134	Tank Assy Oil	"
-99-47002	" " "	"
-99-47002-15	" " "	"
-102-46003	Tank Coolant Header	"
-106-46003	" " "	"
-106-14014	Tip Assy L.H.	"
-106-16014-1	" " R.H.	"
-106-318202	Track Assy Canopy	"
-73-52146	Tube Assy	"
-97-58084-2	Tube Pilots Relief	"
-106-51036	Tube Pitot	"
-106-14013	Wing Tip Assy Outer L.H.	"
-1	" " " " R.H.	"
-106-14601-11A	Wing Assy Repl. R.H.	"
-106-14601-1A	Wing Assy Repl. L.H.	"
-106-310226	Windshield	"
-50	Windshield Repl. Assy Cockpit	"
4200-7455B	Filter Camera & Booster Coil	05-C
4285-K-364	Sub. Assy Secop Coolant	"
4500-234B-A3-1	Seat Assy Pilot	03-F
-214B-A-51	Seat Assy Pilots Comp	"
4860-43R140	Bulb Assy	03-I
-43R141	"	"
4819-3117350	Radiator Assy	"

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<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Class</u>
0167-504992-10	Boom Assy Comp. Tail L.H.	01-E
-5101849-165-7	Cable Assy	"
-5101849-10450	Cable Assy	"
-512131	Cover Assy 2" mm Cannon Fixed	"
-514389	Duct Assy Pilots Windshield Hot Air	"
-107493	Elbow Hyd Eng. Pump Sec. Line	"
-514895-4	Line Assy	"
-217478	Link Assy	"
-516640-2	Macalle Nose Crew	"
-512920-500	Panel Assy Outer Wing L.H.	"
-11376	Rod Upper Engine Cowl	"
-212879	Rod Assy Spoiler Control Fwd.	"
-213586	Rod Assy Elevator Tab	"
-213588	Rod Assy	"
-216019	Rod Assy. Elevator Spring Tab.	"
-513716-26	Rod Pilots Sliding Window	"
-114581	Roller	"
-505144-500	Rudder Assy. Comp. L.H. & R.H.	"
-417984	Screw Fastener	"
-417985	"	"
-409687	Support Assy	"
-510200	Support Assy Nose Section Sta. 720	"
-505146	Tab Assy Rudder	"
-2701-1	Tank Assy Fuel Self Sealing	"
-51148-1	Tube Assy Fired Cannon Inbrd.	"

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0105-1202290	Bracket Pilot Access Door	01-D
-1202290-1	" " " " Inbred	"
-2126658	Clevis Rudder Horn Hinge Support	"
-4145999-3	Cover Assy Battery Drain Sump	"
-4195258	Coupling Assy 3/8" Tube	"
-1125876	Fitting Assy Anti-Drain Ring R.H.	"
-5194582	Former Assy Fuse Nose	"
-5194582-2	" " " " Sta. 53-60	"
-4143735	Handle Assy Pilot Access Door Latch	"
-2129227	Hinge Sta. 39 Nose Wheel Door	"
-1128785	Hose Wing Instl. Line	"
-515305-2	Instl. Wing Tip R.H.	"
-2194629	Latch Assy Carburetor	"
-1151010	Lever Assy Nose Wheel Down Latch Rel.	"
-2158737	Lever Carb. Air Control Outboard	"
-2153928	Link Assy Nose Wheel Door	"
-5157242	Nose Assy Fuselage Complete	"
-5190527-9	Panel Cover Oil Tank Access R.H.	"
-5193079-1	Panel Assy Windshield Glass R.H.	"
-5123590-1	Rest Assy Rudder Pedal R.H.	"
-5129738-2	Ring Assy Lower Anti-Drain L.H.	"
-2129388	Rod Assy Nose Wheel Door	"
-2129266	Shaft, Elev. Idler	"
-1125430-1	Spring Rudder Pedal Return	"
-9696-4-27	Stop Assy Fine Thread Elastic	"
-1114003-4-17	Stop Assy Course Threaded	"
-2126594	Support Assy Fuel Valve	"
-5154053-1	Tip Assy R.H.	"
-4123620-4	Tube Rubber Pedal Adj.	"
4605-82111A	Gear Assy	03-G
-7903-97	Lub Lower Torque Arm	"
4804-AN6221-16	Coupling Hyd. Self-Sealing Half	03-I

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FILES - TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of this publication is to establish a policy for maintenance of all files of Technical Publications in the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. GENERAL: Technical Publications are extremely valuable to an organization for the proper and efficient performance of maintenance and supply, as well as various other functions. Continued improvement in AAF equipment, changes in tactical requirements, plus wear and tear of publications, necessitates the distribution of these documents in great volume throughout an air force. Overburdened transportation and distribution facilities incur delays which place a handicap on organizations using these publications. It is, therefore, of utmost importance that all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) maintain files at the required minimum as set forth in this memorandum, in order to properly perform their functions. Further, all tactical units and service units should cooperate in every way for the most efficient and expeditious use of available files of Technical Publications. Units of this Air Force frequently have sections widely dispersed within an area. To minimize the number of complete Technical Publication files required by the unit, one Technical Publication file may be broken down for use by the various sections within the unit as set forth in T.O. 00-25-5.

3. DEFINITIONS:

a. Technical Orders, Technical Maintenance Instructions, Temporary Technical Maintenance Instructions, Parts Catalog, Handbooks of Instruction, Plane Facts, Illustrated Stock Catalog, and Gadget Digests will hereafter be referred to as Technical Publications.

b. Technical Publications files throughout the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be classified in accordance with the following specific definitions:

- (1) Theater File: A file containing all Technical Publications pertinent to the aircraft and AAF equipment being operated in this Theater.
- (2) Air Force File: A file containing all Technical Publications pertaining to the aircraft and AAF equipment common to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

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- (3) Tactical File: A file containing all Technical Publications and only those publications pertinent to the type of tactical aircraft and AAF equipment operated by the unit. (Note: Miscellaneous aircraft assigned or attached to a tactical unit are not considered tactical aircraft. Technical Publications on these miscellaneous aircraft may be obtained for use in cooperation with the nearest service unit).
- (4) Section File: A file containing Technical Publications pertinent to the particular activity of a section within a unit.
- (5) Aircraft (C) File: Certain Technical Publications and certain supplements and amendments thereto pertaining to a particular aircraft (including gliders) and engine will be maintained in each aircraft as prescribed in Technical Order 01-1-10.

4. DISTRIBUTION: The method for distributing Technical Publications is outlined in First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memorandum 5-4, dated 24 January 1945. This distribution will be governed in accordance with the following requirements:

- a. Air Force Headquarters: Two theater files.
- b. Tactical Air Command Headquarters: One theater file.
- c. Wing Headquarters: One theater file.
- d. Tactical Group: One tactical file.
- e. Tactical Squadron: Two tactical files with one additional Technical Order index.
- f. Air Depot Group: Four theater files and such additional section files as are required. (Note: Additional section files will be distributed upon specific request from the Air Depot Group).
- g. Service Group: One theater file with one additional Technical Order index and such additional section files as may be required. (Additional section files will be distributed for Signal and Ordnance Sections upon specific request from the Service Group).
- h. Service Squadron: Two air force files.
- i. Mobile R & R Squadron: One air force file with one additional Technical Order index.
- j. Aircraft: Aircraft (C) files will be maintained as required by Technical Order 01-1-10.

5. REQUISITIONING: Procedure for requisitioning Technical Publications will be in accordance with First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Memorandum 5-4, dated 24 January 1945.

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6. RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the Unit Technical Inspector to insure that the provisions of this publication and any other First Tactical Air Force (Prov) publications or memoranda concerning Technical Publications are complied with.

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FILES - TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

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CHECK LIST FOR PREPARATION AND SHIPMENT OF ENGINES
AND ACCESSORIES

1. The following check-list is published for the information and guidance of all concerned. All personnel are reminded that repairable property being returned has frequently been damaged beyond repair by carelessness in packing, handling and shipment.

a. Engines

- (1) Has T.O. 02-1-1 been complied with?
 - (a) Use of a check sheet, with each separate operation prescribed by the Technical order listed thereon, is considered good practice. Each mechanic may then be required to initial the sheet as he completes each operation.
- (2) Is engine placed in standard box, and securely bolted in place, after box is examined for damage or weakness?
- (3) Is engine properly tagged?
- (4) Has UR been prepared, if necessary, and a copy attached to the engine?
- (5) If serviceable accessories are removed, have they been replaced by properly tagged unserviceable accessories?
- (6) Is Form 60B attached to the engine? See T.O. 02-1-14 par 10.
- (7) Have personnel been instructed in proper methods of loading and unloading crated engines, and in the care necessary during shipment?
- (8) If engine is to be shipped by air, has a check been made to see that the engine is properly secured in the airplane?
- (9) Have personnel been cautioned not to clean oil screens and filters on shipment to overhaul facilities? Inspection of screens and filters provide valuable data on cause of failure.
- (10) If Form 60B is not attached to engine when received for overhaul, the shipping organization will immediately be requested to forward same. If 60B has been lost, Engineering Officer of Unit concerned will immediately institute a new Form including all known data.

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r. Accessories in General

- (1) Is personnel familiar with provisions of T.O. 42-1-14 and T.O. 63-1-4?
- (2) Does Engineering Officer maintain a constant check to see that accessories are shipped or retained in accordance with above Technical Orders?
- (3) Are accessories packed in containers which are suitable for each particular type, and securely wrapped to prevent damage through movement or chafing in the box?

c. Spark Plugs

- (1) Have provisions of T.O. 23-5E-1 paragraphs 5a (9)(c) and 9a and b been complied with?
- (a) If protector caps referred to cannot be obtained, a suitable substitute should be manufactured locally.

d. Turb. Superchargers

- (1) Has T.O. 23-10PA-2 paragraph 7a (3) been complied with?

NOTE: Organizations receiving equipment as noted above, which has been damaged due to improper handling or inadequate preparation for shipment, will report the fact to this Headquarters immediately. Full particulars as to the organization responsible for handling and/or shipment, and the station from which the equipment was received will be given.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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DAILY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT

AIR DEPOT GROUP

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1. PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum is to establish a procedure for reporting the maintenance status of airplanes awaiting or undergoing repair, salvage, survey or delivery within the Air Depot Groups of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. SUBMISSION OF REPORTS: Reports will be prepared by each Air Depot Group within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The commanding officer of each air depot group will be responsible for the accurate and complete preparation of the report and its prompt submission.

3. AIRCRAFT TO BE REPORTED: All Army Air Force and Army Ground Force aircraft on hand, awaiting or undergoing repair, salvage, survey or delivery will be reported.

4. TIME OF PREPARATION: As of 1700 hours daily.

5. DISTRIBUTION: Each report will be made as an original and one copy. The original will be forwarded by the most expeditious means to the Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), attention, Director of Maintenance. One copy will be retained by the air depot group for file.

6. COMPLIANCE: This memorandum will be complied with by all Air Depot Groups of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report required by this memorandum supercedes and cancels the Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report designed by Ninth Air Force, and at the present time being forwarded to this Headquarters.

7. ENTRIES: Appendix "A" is a sample form indicating the requirements of this report. All reports will be submitted on this type form.

a. Item 1: Number of Aircraft Awaiting Repair in Air Depot. These tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by types, assigned to the air depot for repair, on which work has not as yet been started.

b. Item 2: Number of Aircraft Being Repaired by Air Depot. Total of these tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by types, being repaired in the air depot at the time of the submission of the report.

c. Item 3: Estimated Completion. The estimated completion time of repair, of these tactical and non-tactical aircraft by types, listed in items 1 and 2 above.

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d. Item 4: Number of Aircraft Ready for Delivery, Repairs Complete. Those tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by types, on which repairs have been completed and are ready for delivery to organizations within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). If to be delivered to other Air Forces indicate same by note at bottom of report.

e. Item 5: Number of Aircraft Delivered since Last Report, (Excluding War Weary Aircraft). Total of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by types, on which actual physical delivery has been accomplished since submission of last report.

f. Item 6: Number of Aircraft Awaiting Decision for War Weary Classification. Total number of those tactical aircraft on hand pending decision for reclassification to war weary status.

g. Item 7: Number of Aircraft Classified War Weary and Awaiting Disposal. Those tactical aircraft, by types, which have been redesignated war weary and are awaiting flyaway or disposal instructions. (Note: Those aircraft on which recommendation for reclassification to war weary status has been disapproved will be included in items 1 or 2 above as applicable.)

h. Item 8: Number of Aircraft Salvaged or Surveyed by Air Depot. Total number of aircraft, by types, that have been salvaged or surveyed by the Air Depot since previous report. (Note: This will include those aircraft which have been redesignated war weary and are unfit for flyaway.)

i. Item 9: Number of Aircraft Short in Air Depot. The number of additional aircraft by types, that the air depot has facilities to repair, salvage or survey over and above those actually on hand. (Note: Before this column can be accurately filled out, air depot commanders will have to make a study of the capacity of their facilities.)

j. Item 10: Total. A total of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by type, awaiting or undergoing repair, salvage survey or delivery within the air depot.

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ITEM	STATUS	F-47	F-51 or F-6	F-96 or F-5	B-26	Misc.
1.	Number of Aircraft Awaiting Repair.					
2.	Number of Aircraft Being Repaired.					
3.	Estimated Completion					
	Under 2 Days					
	Between 3 and 5 Days					
	Between 5 and 15 Days					
	Over 15 Days					
4.	Number of Aircraft Ready For Delivery Repairs Complete.					
5.	Number of Aircraft Delivered Since Last Report (Excluding W.W.).					
6.	Number of Aircraft Awaiting War Worn Classification.					
7.	Number of Aircraft Classified W.W. and Awaiting Disposal.					
8.	Number of Aircraft Salvaged or Surveyed.					
9.	Number of Aircraft Short in Air Depot.					
10.	Total					

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DAILY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT

AIR DEPOT GROUP

(This memorandum supersedes Memorandum 65-19, 30 January 1945)

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a. Item 1: Number of Aircraft Awaiting Repair in Air Depot. Those tactical and non-tactical aircraft by types assigned to the Air Depot for repair on which work has not been started. This will include those aircraft in aircraft allocations pool on which repair or modification work is required.

b. Item 2: Number of Aircraft Being Repaired by Air Depot. Total of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft by types being repaired in air depot at time of submission of report. This will include those aircraft in allocations pool on which repairs or modifications are being conducted at time of report.

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c. Item 3: Estimated Completion. The estimated completion time of repair, of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft by types listed in items 1 and 2 above.

d. Item 4: Number of Aircraft Ready for Delivery Repairs Complete. Those tactical and non-tactical aircraft by type excluding those in allocations pool on which repairs have been completed and are ready for delivery to organizations within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). If to be delivered to other Air Forces indicate same by note at bottom of report.

e. Item 5: Number of Aircraft Delivered Since Last Report. (Excluding War Weary). Total of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by types on which actual physical delivery has been accomplished since submission of last report. This will not include aircraft delivered out of allocations pool.

f. Item 6: Number of Aircraft Awaiting Decision for War Weary Classification. Total number of those tactical aircraft on hand pending decision for reclassification to war weary status.

g. Item 7: Number of Aircraft Classified War Weary and Awaiting Disposal. Those tactical aircraft, by types, which have been redesignated war weary and are awaiting flyaway or disposal instructions. (Note: Those aircraft on which recommendation for reclassification to war weary status has been disapproved will be included in items 1 or 2 above as applicable.)

h. Item 8: Number of Aircraft Salvaged or Surveyed by Air Depot. Total number of aircraft, by types, that have been salvaged or surveyed by the Air Depot since previous report. (Note: This will include those aircraft which have been redesignated war weary and are unfit for flyaway.)

i. Item 9: Number of Aircraft Short in Air Depot. The number of additional aircraft by types, that the air depot has facilities to repair, salvage or survey over and above those actually on hand. (Note: Before this column can be accurately filled out, air depot commanders will have to make a study of the capacity of their facilities.)

j. Item 10: Number of Aircraft in Allocations Pool. Total number of aircraft by type on hand in allocations pool awaiting delivery.

k. Item 11: Total. A total of those tactical and non-tactical aircraft, by type, awaiting or undergoing repair, salvage survey or delivery within

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the air depot, excluding those aircraft in allocations pool awaiting delivery
(item 10 above).

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APPENDIX "A"
DAILY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT
AIR DEPOT

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ITEM	STATUS	P-47	P-51 or F-6	P-38 or F-5	B-26	Misc.
1.	Number of Aircraft Awaiting Repair.					
2.	Number of Aircraft Being Repaired.					
3.	Under 2 Days					
	Between 3 and 5 Days					
	Between 5 and 15 Days					
	Over 15 Days					
4.	Number of Aircraft Ready For Delivery Repairs Complete.					
5.	Number of Aircraft Delivered Since Last Report (Including W.T.).					
6.	Number of Aircraft Awaiting War Heavy Classification.					
7.	Number of Aircraft Classified W.T. and awaiting Disposal.					
8.	Number of Aircraft Salvaged or Surveyed.					
9.	Number of Aircraft Short in Air Depot.					
10.	Number of Aircraft in Allocations Pool.					
11.	Total.					

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MAINTENANCE

DAILY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT

SERVICE SQUADRONS

1. PURPOSE: The purpose of the memorandum is to establish a procedure for reporting the maintenance status of airplanes awaiting or undergoing repair, salvage, survey or delivery within the Service Squadrons of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. STATIONS TO WHICH REPORTS WILL BE PREPARED: Reports will be prepared by each Service Squadron within the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The Commanding Officer of each Service Squadron will be responsible for the accurate and complete preparation of the report and its prompt submission.

3. AIRCRAFT TO BE REPORTED: All Army Air Force and Army Ground Force aircraft on hand at each service squadron will be reported. Each report will include all airplanes on hand since time of previous report.

4. TIME OF PREPARATION: As of 1700 hours daily.

5. DISTRIBUTION: Each report will be made as an original and three copies. The original will be forwarded by the most expeditious means to the Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), attention Director of Maintenance; one copy will be forwarded to the service group; one copy to the tactical group being serviced by the service squadron; and one copy will be retained by the service squadron for file.

6. COMPLIANCE: This memorandum will be complied with by all Service Squadrons of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). The Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report required by this memorandum supersedes the Daily Aircraft Maintenance Report designed by Ninth Air Force and at present being forwarded to this Headquarters.

7. EXHIBIT: Appendix "A" is a sample for indicating the requirements of this report. All reports will be submitted on this type form as follows:

a. Item 2. Number of Tactical Aircraft Awaiting Work in Service Squadron. Those tactical aircraft assigned to the service squadron for repair or salvage on which work has not as yet been started.

b. Item 3. Number of Tactical Aircraft Being Repaired by Service Squadron. Total of those tactical aircraft being repaired in the service squadron for return to tactical group at the time of the submission of the report.

c. Item 4. Estimated Completion. The estimated completion time of repairs of those tactical aircraft listed in Item 2 and 3 above.

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d. Item 5. Number of Aircraft Repaired and Delivered to the Tactical Group. Total number of aircraft in which repairs have been completed and have been returned to the tactical group since the last report.

e. Item 6. Number of Aircraft Being Held for Delivery to Air Depot Group. Those aircraft that are destined to the Air Depot Group for major repairs, but at the time of the submission of the report physical transfer has not been accomplished. This will include both flyable aircraft and those requiring disassembly or being disassembled pending shipment.

f. Item 7. Number of Aircraft Shipped to the Air Depot Group. Total of those aircraft actually delivered to the Air Depot Group since the last reporting. This includes both those aircraft flown to the Air Depot and those shipped to the Air Depot in a disassembled condition.

g. Item 8. Number of Aircraft Salvaged or Surveyed in the Service Squadron. Total number of aircraft which have been salvaged or surveyed since the previous report.

h. Item 9. Number of Aircraft Short in Service Squadron. The number of additional aircraft that the service squadron has facilities to repair over and above those actually on hand. (Note: Before this column can be accurately filled out, Service Squadron Commanders will have to make a study of the capacity of their facilities.)

i. Item 10. Number of Non-Tactical Aircraft Being Repaired in Service Squadrons. A listing by type of all the non-tactical aircraft undergoing repairs in the service squadron.

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APPENDIX "A"
MILITARY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT

SERVICE SQUADRON
SERVICE GROUP

DAILY AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE REPORT

ITEM:

1.	Date and Time of Report	1700 Hours 10 Jan. 1945
2.	Number of Tactical Aircraft Awaiting work in Service Squadron	1- F-5 2- F-6
3.	Number of Tactical Aircraft being repaired by Service Squadron	3- F-5 4- F-6
4.	Estimated Completion a. Under 3 days b. Between 3 and 5 days c. Between 5 and 15 days d. Over 15 days	2- F-5 2- F-6 1- F-5 1- F-5 1- F-5 4- F-6
5.	Number of Aircraft Repaired and Delivered to Tactical Group	1- F-6
6.	Number of Aircraft being held for delivery to Air Depot	2- F-5 1- F-6
7.	Number of Aircraft actually shipped to Air Depot	1- F-5
8.	Number of Aircraft Salvaged and Surveyed in Service Squadron	None
9.	Number of Aircraft Short in Service Squadron	2- F-5 or 2- F-6
10.	Number of Non-tactical Aircraft being repaired in Service Squadron	1- F-25H

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE
PREPARATION OF REQUISITIONS FOR AIR CORPS SUPPLIES
AND EQUIPMENT

1. Procedure for Preparing Requisitions.

a. All personnel concerned with the preparation of requisitions for Air Corps Supplies will be thoroughly familiar with BADA, AGC USSTAF Regulation No. 65-7, dated 28 August 1944, and requisitions will be prepared exactly as outlined therein, except as follows:

(1) Routine requisitions for all property classes except 10-1, B, and D, will be submitted to the Air Depot Group on AAF Form 104a in five (5) copies.

(2) Routine requisitions for classes 10-1, B, and D, will be submitted to the Air Depot Group on AAF Form 102 in eight (8) copies.

(3) Carbons will be left between the copies in order to facilitate Depot action.

(4) When requisitioning parts for aircraft other than those normally serviced, specify aircraft type and model.

(5) Stock replenishment requisitions should be requisitioned, as much as possible during the early part of the week.

(6) All requisitions should contain appropriate explanatory notes regarding items, particularly when quantities are in excess of previous consumption.

(7) Requisitions for O.E.L. should list the requisitioning organization, organization to be supplied, T.O. & E. number and date, and should contain a certificate signed by the Supply Officer of the using organization.

2. Procedure for Priorities of Supply Work will conform with USSTAF Regulation 65-20 dated 1 September 1944.

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

MONTHLY MATERIAL STATUS REPORT
AND ASSOCIATION SUPPLY REPORT

Effective with the report rendered as of 20 February 1945, the Signal Service section of Appendix "B" to Memorandum 65-8, this headquarters, dated 15 January 1945 is amended by:

- a. Deleting items 130 through 151 (all batteries)
- b. Adding.

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Item</u>
130	Vehicular Mine Detector AM/VRS
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131	Radio Set SCR-619

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SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

CONSERVATION OF TIRES AND
OTHER RUBBER EQUIPMENT

1. Pursuant to AAF Regulation No. 20-51, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, WASHINGTON, D.C., dated 22 December 1944 and ATSC Regulation 65-4, Headquarters, Air Technical Service Command in Europe, dated 19 February 1944, a rubber conservation program is now in effect. The program includes the supervision of preventative maintenance activities on rubber products to secure longer service life, and to insure that the proper personnel are familiar with the problems of procurement, conservation, storage and repair of rubber products.

2. The I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) has been charged with the responsibility of carrying out this program within all units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). All subsequent directives relative to the conservation of rubber will be published by that Headquarters and will be complied with by all units of this Air Force.

3. The rubber conservation program, as concerns aircraft rubber, will be administered as follows:

a. The Group Technical Inspector of each Tactical Group will be assigned the duties of Group Rubber Coordinator, who will work in conjunction with the I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) Rubber Coordinator.

b. One enlisted man will be assigned as an assistant to the Group Rubber Coordinator, who will personally check and inspect rubber items in lower echelons and carry out such other duties as may be directed.

c. All questions pertaining to the maintenance and care of aircraft rubber items will be handled through the Group Rubber Coordinator and the I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) Rubber Coordinator.

4. The maintenance and care of pneumatic tires and rubber treads on motor vehicles will be in accordance with ATSC Regulation 65-4, dated 19 February 1944. Frequent reference should be made to Headquarters, AAF, Technical Order No. 19-1-125 and T.D. Technical Manual 31-200.

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TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION

RESPONSIBILITY AND PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES WITHIN THIS AIR FORCE.

1. RESPONSIBILITY:

a. The movement of all supplies between dumps and depots of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), and from dumps and depots to using units is the responsibility of Service Unit Commanders.

b. The movement of units and personnel is the joint responsibility of the tactical unit and servicing unit commanders. In the case of movement of tactical groups, the movement of the servicing unit will be considered an integral part of the movement of the tactical group. The tactical unit commanders and servicing unit commanders will coordinate all transportation requirements for the move in order to make maximum use of all available transportation, both air and truck.

2. PROCEDURE:

a. Transportation by Truck:

- (1) Tactical units will, after drawing upon their own organic vehicles to the fullest possible extent, call upon their assigned Service Team for necessary additional facilities. This will be done as far in advance as possible in order to give the servicing unit ample opportunity to have vehicles ready for operation at the specified time.
- (2) Servicing units will, after drawing upon their regularly assigned vehicles to the fullest possible extent, call upon their Service Center Commander for additional facilities. The Service Center Commander will, in cases of extreme emergency, call upon the Transportation Officer, A-4 Division, this headquarters, who will make arrangements for obtaining additional transportation from other sources.
- (3) In the case of Air Depot Groups, the procedure will be the same as in (1) and (2) above, except that intermediate channels will be eliminated and this headquarters will be contacted direct.

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- (4) In the case of units operating directly under this headquarters, such as Ordnance Ammunition Companies and Intransit Depot Companies, request will be made directly to the Headquarters Division having jurisdiction over their operations. This will be done only after consulting the Commanding Officer of the assigned Quartermaster Truck Company and ascertaining that he cannot furnish the necessary additional transportation.

b. Transportation by Rail:

- (1) When rail transportation is desired by any organization, the same procedure will be followed as in "Transportation by Truck". When a Service Center Commander submits a request to this headquarters for rail transportation, he will also submit a recommendation as to whether he believes it to be more expeditious and practical than other means. This headquarters will make the final decision and arrangements and will notify the Service Center Commander upon completion thereof.
- (2) Under no circumstances will requests for movement of rail cars be made directly to any agency handling rail transportation.

c. Transportation by Air:

- (1) The procedure for handling Air Transportation will be the same as set forth in "Transportation by Truck" above. In all cases, planes regularly assigned to the unit involved will be used, and only in the event that these planes are insufficient will additional planes be requested.
- (2) When planes are requested from this headquarters, the following information will be submitted:
- (a) Number of personnel, or type and weight of cargo.
 - (b) Loading and unloading points and desired times of arrival thereof.
 - (c) Complete information as to availability of loading and unloading facilities. Crews and cargo will, in all cases, be ready and waiting on the airstrip at the time planes are due to land.

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ADMINISTRATION

Machine Records Unit

1. The 31st Machine Records Unit (M) is servicing all organizations assigned and attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and all reports required by MRM, as indicated in sub-paragraphs below, will be forwarded by the most expeditious means to: COMMANDING OFFICER, 31ST MACHINE RECORDS UNIT (M), APO 696, U S ARMY.

- a. The original (white) copy of Morning Report MR, AGO Form 10 1 or 2. (AR 345-400) and changes)
- b. Initial and Final Rosters (WD AGO Form 309). (AR 345-900) and changes)
- c. Special Roster (Newly Arrived Units Only). (See paragraph 3, below) (AR 345-900) and changes)
- d. Two copies of all Special and General Orders.

2. Morning Reports will be forwarded daily. The Morning Report for the last day of each month will be dispatched so as to arrive, if possible, not later than the second day of the following month.

3. Immediately upon arrival in the Theater, each organization will prepare a SPECIAL ROSTER of officers and enlisted men (Separate Rosters), on WD AGO Form 309, as prescribed by paragraph 12b, AR 315-900, 22 May 1942. The roster will be conspicuously marked "FOR 31ST MRU" and dispatched by the most expeditious means to the 31st MRU. Copies of passenger lists, etc, may be used instead of preparing the Special Roster, provided the information called for by paragraph 12b, AR 315-900 is contained thereon.

4. Direct communication between organizations and the 31st MRU is authorized and desired. Instructions from that Unit as to work concerned or requests for information necessary for efficient handling of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) servicing, will be complied with.

5. Monthly Personnel Rosters prepared by this Unit will be checked, corrected and returned to Machine Records Unit within 48 hours after receipt.

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FIRE FIGHTING

1. Reference.

a. Fire Regulations, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, 6 November 1944.

2. Responsibility.

a. The Engineer on the staff of each Command, Division or lower echelon will be responsible for the supervision of fire fighting activities.

b. At First Tactical Air Force (Prov) stations at which an Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon is stationed, the Platoon Commander will normally be the station Fire Marshal. Stations or installations which do not have an Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon will appoint a Fire Marshal whose duties will be as set forth in paragraph 3, Fire Regulations, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations dated 6 November 1944.

3. Supply and Equipment.

a. The following is a list of first aid fire appliances which are authorized each Tactical Group, Air Depot Group or any other unit comparable in size to Tactical or Air Depot Groups;

Axe, fire	- 10 each
Bar, wrecking, 30"	- 3 each
Buckets, fire	- 100 each
Extinguisher, fire, CTC, 1 qt. w/vall brackets	- 20 each
Extinguisher, fire, foam, 2 gal.	- 70 each
Extinguisher, fire, soda and acid	- 25 each
Ladder, fire, extension, 24 ft.	- 4 each
Pump, stirrup	- 30 each
Refills, CTC	- 5 gals.
Refills, for extinguisher, foam	- 125 each
Refills, for extinguisher, S/A	- 75 each
Shovel, C.. round point	- 6 each

This equipment will be requisitioned direct from service rooms of each field and will then process through regular channels.

b. The Fire Marshal on the station will be responsible for the distribution and maintenance of this equipment, and will insure that all personnel are familiar with its operation.

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c. The Engineer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will determine the scale of appliances for special installations which cannot be adequately covered by the above scale.

d. Any undue delay in the issue or replacement of fire fighting appliances including major items of fire fighting equipment authorized Engineer Fire Fighting Platoons will be reported through technical channels to the Engineer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). When making this report, the date and number of the requisition will be given along with the items of equipment requested plus correct nomenclature and amount on hand.

4. Cooperation between Civilian and Military Fire Fighting Agencies.

a. Civil fire departments and fire defense in liberated and occupied territories will be reactivated and reorganized under the direction of Civil Affairs Detachments of the Ground Forces, for the purpose of providing adequate fire cover for essential civil installations and assistance to military fire fighting agencies. Fire Marshals of all First Tactical Air Force (Prov) installations will contact the Civil Affairs officer of their respective Commands where practicable in order to arrange for civilian assistance and to coordinate with civilian fire departments. Where no First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Civil Affairs officer is available, such contact will be made with the nearest Civil Affairs Detachment of the Ground Forces.

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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

FIRE FIGHTING

1. This memorandum is intended to clarify the requisition of the list of items as mentioned in Memorandum 85-2, dated 13 January 1945, this Headquarters.

2. Due to critical supply of these items the following will govern upon receipt of this memorandum:

a.) Only one (1) set of equipment will be issued to each Tactical Air Field. No Service Group Headquarters or Depot Group Headquarters or any such installation will requisition any of these items at the present time.

b.) Further instructions will be published as these items become available for issue to any installation other than actual air fields.

3. Any unit, organization, or headquarters having drawn fire fighting items for other than air field sites against Memorandum 85-2, this Headquarters, will contact Engineer Supply Officer, First Tactical Air Force, (Prov.), who will arrange to redistribute these items.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES

Inspection of Army Postal Units

1. Financial inspection of Commanding Officers of Army Postal Units as Class B Agent Finance Officers will be made as of the close of business of the APO, on the twentieth day of each month. This inspection will be made by two disinterested officers appointed by orders of the Commanding Officer of the unit to which the APU is attached for administration. These two officers will check the stamp stock and verify the amount of cash on hand and submit a report, through other than postal channels, on a form similar to the "Certificate of Verification of Accounts" shown on page 5 of TM 10-325, to the Postal Finance Officer, 1st Base Post Office, APO 640.

2. Quarterly inspections of the APU's attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be made by the Postal Officer of this headquarters. This inspection will be reported on FOB Forms 1945, in quadruplicate, as outlined in par. 10, Change No. 2, 11 January 1944, to FM 12-105 dated 7 May 1943, with the exception that the completed forms will be forwarded to Headquarters ETOUSA, office of the Adjutant General.

3. The postal section of this headquarters will make supervisory inspections at irregular intervals to determine the adequacy of the organization and the functioning of the system of inspection in the commands.

4. In addition, periodic inspections of postal service in units of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be made by administrative inspectors.

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23 November 1944

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ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES

Unit Histories

1. Objective: To provide the necessary basic data required for the official record of each unit of the Army Air Forces, for a comprehensive history of this Air Force and for the overall record of the participation of the Army Air Forces in the present war.

2. Organization: Historical activities in this Air Force shall be organized in accordance with the provisions of AR 340-105, amended 9 March 1943, AAF Regulation 208, 19 July 1943 and Overseas Historical Officers Circular No. 1, HQ, AAF AG/AS Intelligence, Historical Division, 19 March 1943. It is the responsibility of the commander at each level to insure that a complete history of his organization is being maintained by a properly designated historical officer. The Historical Section at this headquarters is responsible for the preparation of the history of this Air Force and the coordination of historical activities in subordinate units.

3. Co-operation: Commanders and Staff officers will give full co-operation to historical officers in making available all information of historical importance through access to all files and by interview. Historical officers will be furnished copies of such documents as are requested for inclusion in the unit history. No documents, diaries, memoranda, charts, etc. will be disposed of without examination by the Historical Office. Items of historical significance. Historical work will be regarded as Secret, and adequate facilities provided to ensure compliance with AR 380-5.

4. Preparation of Histories: Detailed instructions may be issued by a Command Historian. The following will be adhered to in the preparation of all histories:

a. Histories of units below the command level will be prepared on a monthly basis. Command histories will be prepared on a quarterly basis.

b. Histories will be prepared in sufficient copies to provide this headquarters with two copies, each complete with all supporting documents, one to be retained by the Historical Section, one to go forward to Washington.

c. The historical narrative shall contain a complete and accurate record of activities, to include operations, individual achievements, living conditions, administrative changes, and a daily diary of events.

d. Supporting documents will be annexed to and considered an integral part of the histories. They shall include copies of all pertinent orders, bulletins, memoranda, operations orders and reports, intelligence reports and appreciations, organization charts, directives and photographs. Documents issued by higher headquarters and not be included.

e. It is essential that each history have a table of contents and title sheet showing under the name of the unit. The chain of command and date in the following manner:

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5. Disposition of Histories: Histories will be forwarded through channels to reach this Headquarters by the 1st of the month following their closing date. They will be addressed to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Attention: Historical Section.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES

TRAVEL ORDERS

1. Commanders of commands, wings, groups, battalions, and separate squadrons or companies not attached to a higher headquarters, within this air force, are authorized to issue orders directing the travel within the theater (except between the United Kingdom and continental Europe), on temporary duty not to exceed seven (7) days, of personnel assigned or attached to, or under the jurisdiction of, their respective commands. This authority will not be further delegated.

2. Blanket travel orders will not be issued.

3. Personnel of units not listed in per 1, above, will request travel orders, when necessary, from the commanding officer of the group or other unit with which they are affiliated. (Example: 895 TP Co- from XII TAC; Weather Detachments from group serviced, etc.)

4. Orders authorizing travel by air (except organizational aircraft) within the European Theater of Operations exclusive of the United Kingdom may be issued only by headquarters actually commanded by general officers.

5. Requests for travel orders between Continental Europe and the United Kingdom, will be submitted to this headquarters.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES

MIL

I POSTAL POLICY

1. The following procedure is hereby established for the handling of mail in this Air Force. Mail handling will be governed by instructions outlined in FM 12-105, TM 12-275, current theater postal directives and other such instructions as may be published, supplemented by this Memorandum.

II RESPONSIBILITY

2. Although all postal activities are under the supervision of the Air Force Postal Officer, the efficient handling of mail within the separate unit remains the responsibility of the organization commander concerned. (Part 2, FM 12-105)

III POSTAL SERVICES

3. Postal units are attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) to provide adequate postal service to First Tactical Air Force (Prov) personnel, and will be geographically located where they may best render adequate service to the largest number of personnel possible. Military personnel other than those attached or assigned to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) may also be served.

4. In addition to the attached Army Postal Units, a postal section will be maintained at each group, station, or similar headquarters for the following purposes:-

- a. To receive from the serving APO and distribute all incoming mail units to effect delivery, and to dispatch all outgoing mail to the serving APO.
- b. To deliver mail to authorized unit mail clerks and to deliver all registered and insured mail to the addressee or designated agent.
- c. To prepare locator cards and give directory service to insufficiently and incorrectly addressed mail returned by unit mail clerks as undeliverable, after proper unit endorsement.

5. Postal sections prescribed above will be established by the consolidation of organizational mail rooms to serve designated housing areas, and will perform the functions covered in 4b and 4c. The operation of these postal sections will be the direct responsibility of the local Postal Officer and the personnel will be directly attached to the postal section. Unit mail clerks will be utilized when necessary under the jurisdiction of the local Postal Officer.

6. Unit mail clerks will deliver mail at mail call, other formations, or by whatever means the unit commander deems best, but this method does not prevent personal delivery of each soldier's mail. Mail must not be placed in pigeonholes,

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boxes, on beds, or in any such place, and left unprotected. All mail on which delivery cannot be effected will be kept in a locked container for safekeeping.

7. In each organization (squadron, company, detachment), one or more qualified enlisted men will be detailed on written orders by the unit commanding officer as authorized unit mail clerks. They should be intelligent and trustworthy, possess some clerical ability, and if possible have previous postal experience.

8. All classes of mail will be safeguarded at all times. Only authorized unit mail clerks will be allowed to handle mail for the unit.

9. The unit mail clerk will operate the mail room in compliance with TM 12-275, applicable War Department Circulars, this memorandum and any other instructions that may be issued by the Army Postal Service.

10. Registered and insured mail will be delivered from the local postal section to addressees or designated agents on duplicate receipts and the duplicates will be retained by the delivering clerk. Unit mail clerks or designated agents will obtain duplicate receipts from addressees on WD Form 922. The original will be filed and maintained by the unit as part of the unit records. The duplicate will be retained by the delivering unit mail clerk or designated agent. Each delivery unit will maintain a balance sheet and proper chain of receipts.

11. Undeliverable mail will be insured and forwarded in accordance with instructions contained in TM 12-275.

12. An officer of each unit will be assigned as Unit Postal Officer in addition to his other duties. He will familiarize himself with his duties as outlined in TM 12-275.

IV MAIL ADDRESSES

13. A permanent APO number (APO 374) is assigned to all units of this Air Force. This APO number remains the APO number of all units of this Air Force, while assigned or attached thereto, regardless of the number of the Army Postal Unit actually serving any organization.

14. All mail addressed to individuals must bear the organization designation and the APO number.

15. The EFM and SCM code cable address for APO 374 is AFY.

V LOCATOR CARDS

16. The AFU at this headquarters will maintain locator cards on all personnel of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov), and will furnish directory service to all cablegrams and incompletely addressed mail carrying APO 374 as an address. Each unit will maintain locator cards on all personnel assigned or attached, both past and present. Locator cards on attached personnel will indicate the mail delivery point in addition to the correct unit assignment.

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Unit locator cards will be kept current on the mail address of all personnel on DS or TD at another location. Copies of orders affecting personnel will be made available to personnel responsible for the maintenance of these files. Mail to be forwarded will be given immediate locator service and forwarded promptly to the individual's correct present address.

17. The APU at this headquarters will maintain current locator files by MRU furnished locator cards, Change of Address cards (Postal Form 46), and the processing of Special Orders issued within the command.

18. It is emphasized that telegrams, cables, and mis-addressed letters intended for members of this Air Force ~~CANNOT~~ be delivered until a record is available showing the individual's name, rank, Army serial number, and the correct unit designation.

VI CENSORSHIP OF MAIL

19. The censorship of all mail in the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will be governed by Circular 33, Ho. FPOUSA "Censorship Instructions, Postal and Cable", 21 March 1944 and amendments.

20. Commanding officers of all units are responsible for the prompt and proper censorship of all soldier's mail within their unit except "Blue Envelopes" and letters written in a foreign language which will be sent to the Base Censor.

21. The unit commander will detail as many officers as are needed to warrant prompt censorship of all mail so that such mail can be delivered within 24 hours to the unit mail clerk for dispatch to the APO for transmittal to the final destination.

22. Mail to be censored will be safeguarded at all times.

23. Units not having a unit censor stamp should make arrangements to have unit mail censor stamped at the nearest unit holding such stamp.

VII CHANGE OF ADDRESS CARDS

24. Mail for individuals newly assigned or changing stations requires no directory service thru complete units, and individuals upon a change of station or unit will personally notify the unit mail clerk at his present address of the new assignment and request that all mail be forwarded to the new address. Upon arrival at the new station he will notify the unit mail clerk at that station as to where his mail can be delivered. If circumstances do not allow him to personally notify the mail clerks at either station, a letter will be sent to the mail clerks concerned of the individual's correct present address.

a. Five Change of Address cards will be obtained from the unit mail clerk. One Change of Address card will be sent to the Postal Officer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374, one card will be sent to the Postal Officer at the old APO (if a change in APO is made), one card will be addressed to the new unit mail clerk, one card will be mailed to the 1st Base Post Office for the Central Locator Files, and one card will be mailed to APO 633 for the Main Air Force Locator Files.

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25. Casual fillers and combat crew replacements will within 24 hours of arrival at an Air Force installation complete four Change of Address cards. One Change of Address card will be addressed to the local mail clerk, one card will be mailed to the Postal Officer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), APO 374 for the locator files at this headquarters, one card will be addressed to the 1st Base Post Office for the Central Locator Files, and the fourth card will be mailed to APO 633 for the Main Air Force Locator Files.

26. It is the unit commander's responsibility to obtain from every person newly assigned to the unit, within 24 hours of their reporting for duty, Change of Address cards which will be disposed of as outlined in either Paragraph 24a or 25, above.

VIII CASUALTY MAIL

27. Mail for personnel deceased, missing or killed in action etc, will be handled in accordance with instructions issued in WD Circular 273 (1943) as amended by WD Circular 28 (1944).

IX INSPECTIONS

28. The inspection and audit of Army Postal Units attached to this Air Force will be made quarterly and in accord with WD Memo W 340-54-43, 12 Oct 1943.

29. Postal Officers will make surprise and additional inspections within the postal unit in accord with theater directives.

30. Postal Officers of Army Postal Units will make frequent periodic inspections of the mail handling procedure of all units served by the AFU. Air Force Postal Form 9 will be completed at such inspections and forwarded as prescribed on the form.

31. The Postal Officer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will make periodic inspections of units assigned or attached to this Air Force. Necessary reports will be rendered at that time.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

CONFIRMATION OF VICTORY CLAIMS OF AIR CREWS

1. Purpose: To provide authority for confirming the processed claims of an air crew member and providing a certificate for his permanent record.

2. The Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command and 42nd Bomb Wing are designated to review and confirm victory claims that have been authenticated and processed at Group levels. The Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command may further delegate this authority to the Commanding General, 64th Fighter Wing.

3. All victory claims with supporting evidence will be forwarded through channels to the Commanders designated in paragraph 2., above. Claims that correspond to the policy outlined in USSAF Regulation No. 80-6, dated 8 May 1944, and are substantiated by proper evidence, will be made a matter of certified record, a copy of which will be filed with the Form 3 of the air crew member involved. This certificate will include the following:

- a. Name, rank, and A.S.N.
- b. Group and Squadron.
- c. Type enemy aircraft.
- d. Date and location of combat.
- e. Any other pertinent remarks.

By command of Major General WESSILL:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Winterization Policy of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Winterization policy. This is not up to a standard toward which to work in winterizing. The extent to which winterization can be carried out depends solely on the amount of material which is made available for this purpose.

2. Policy.

a. Provision of shelter. will be made of existing shelter by billeting, and the requisitioning of property.

b. If billeting or requisitioned property are not available, tents will be winterized. A winterized tent will be considered one which has a good frame, baton doors, and a stove. Material for flooring will not be provided.

c. Use of hutting.

(1) The supply of hutting is extremely critical. The available supply will be used only where suitable existing buildings are not available within a reasonable distance of the station or camp site. As a general policy hutting will be released only to tactical stations and tactical air groups. Hutting as it becomes available will be allocated as shown below:

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>FACILITY</u>	<u>ALLOCATION</u>
1st	Infirmary	375 sq ft per person
2nd	Operations, Training, Interpretation	450 sq ft per squadron
3rd	Mess halls, kitchens, living rooms	12 sq ft per person
4th	Storage for personnel & flying clothing	6 sq ft per flying personnel
5th	Central Administration	2250 sq ft per tactical group, including service elements
6th	Storage for Technical Equipment	2700 sq ft per Ftr Gp including service elements 1500 sq ft per Bomber Gp including service elements

(2) Flooring will only be provided for huts which are to be used for infirmaries, and for space in huts to be used as kitchens (400 sq ft per kitchen). No plumbing or electrical wiring will be provided. Stoves will be authorized on the basis of two for each standard (20' x 100') hut or equivalent space.

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3. Construction Plan.

a. The responsibility for winterizing rests with the units.

b. Labor for construction will be furnished primarily by occupying troops. Supervisory personnel where needed will be furnished by Engineer Command (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov). Engineer units are located at each field and direct contact is authorized to obtain necessary assistance.

c. Transportation of materials will be done by using units from designated supply points.

d. Supply of materials.

(1) Lumber for winterizing tents is not authorized by Hq ETOUSA. Salvaged lumber only will be utilized for this purpose.

(2) No Pierced Steel Plank will be used in connection with winterization.

(3) No Hessian or Square Mesh Track will be used in connection with winterization or tentage.

(4) Hessian and Square Mesh Track will be made available for cutting within limitations of available materials on scales computed from standards set down in paragraph 2c.

e. Moving to new location. Units will be responsible for salvaging winterizing material and moving it to new location.

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FIGHTING FIRE EQUIPMENT

FIRE FIGHTING

1. Reference.

a. Fire Regulations, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, 6 November 1944.

2. Responsibility.

a. The Engineer on the staff of each Command, Division or lower echelon will be responsible for the supervision of fire fighting activities.

b. At First Tactical Air Force (Prov) stations at which an Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon is stationed, the Platoon Commander will normally be the station Fire Marshal. Stations or installations which do not have an Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon will appoint a Fire Marshal whose duties will be as set forth in paragraph 3, Fire Regulations, Headquarters, European Theater of Operations dated 6 November 1944.

3. Supply and Equipment.

a. The following is a list of first aid fire appliances which are authorized each Tactical Group, Air Depot Group or any other unit comparable in size to Tactical or Air Depot Groups:

Axe, fire	- 10 each
Bar, wrecking, 30"	- 3 each
Buckets, fire	- 100 each
Extinguisher, fire, CTC, 1 qt. w/wall brackets	- 25 each
Extinguisher, fire, foam, 2 gal.	- 70 each
Extinguisher, fire, soda and acid	- 25 each
Ladder, fire, extension, 24 ft.	- 4 each
Pump, stirrup	- 30 each
Refills, CTC	- 5 gals.
Refills, for extinguisher, foam	- 125 each
Refills, for extinguisher, S/A	- 75 each
Shovel, C.I. round point	- 6 each

This equipment will be requisitioned direct from service forms of each field who will then process through regular channels.

b. The Fire Marshal on the station will be responsible for the distribution and maintenance of this equipment, and will insure that all personnel are familiar with its operation.

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c. The Engineer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will determine the scale of appliances for special installations which cannot be adequately covered by the above scale.

d. Any undue delay in the issue or replacement of fire fighting appliances including major items of fire fighting equipment authorized Engineer fire fighting platoons will be reported through technical channels to the Engineer, First Tactical Air Force (Prov). When making this report, the date and number of the requisition will be given along with the items of equipment requested plus correct nomenclature and amount on hand.

4. Cooperation between Civilian and Military Fire Fighting Agencies.

a. Civil fire departments and fire defense in liberated and occupied territories will be reactivated and reorganized under the direction of Civil Affairs Detachments of the Ground Forces, for the purpose of providing adequate fire cover for essential civil installations and assistance to military fire fighting agencies. Fire Marshals of all First Tactical Air Force (Prov) installations will contact the Civil Affairs Officer of their respective Commands where practicable in order to arrange for civilian assistance and to coordinate with civilian fire departments. Where no First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Civil Affairs Officer is available, such contact will be made with the nearest Civil Affairs Detachment of the Ground Forces

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BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

FIRE FIGHTING

1. This memorandum is intended to clarify the requisition of the list of items as mentioned in Memorandum 85-2, dated 13 January 1945, this Headquarters.
2. Due to critical supply of these items the following will govern upon receipt of this memorandum:
 - a.) Only one (1) set of equipment will be issued to each Tactical Air Field. No Service Group Headquarters or Depot Group Headquarters or any such installation will requisition any of these items at the present time.
 - b.) Further instructions will be published as these items become available for issue to any installation other than actual air fields.
3. Any unit, organization, or headquarters having drawn fire fighting items for other than air field sites against Memorandum 85-2, this Headquarters, will contact Engineer Supply Officer, First Tactical Air Force, (Prov.), who will arrange to redistribute these items.

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COMMUNICATIONS

EXCESS AND SURPLUS SIGNAL PROPERTY

1. Commanding Officers of all units of this Command will take positive and continuing action to discover excess and surplus Signal property of any description in stock, with organizations or held individually.

2. Excess and surplus Signal property will be returned to the next rear echelon of supply. Service Groups receiving such property may reissue to other units within their supply channels where shortages exist. Excess and surplus property not so disposed of, will be returned to the appropriate Air Depot Group.

3. Air Depot Groups may redistribute excess and surplus Signal property to the forward activities within its supply channels where requirements exist. Undisposed of items will be reported to Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov) and held until disposition is directed by that Headquarters.

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WEATHER

AIRBORNE WEATHER REPORTS

1. Aircraft in flight over ENEMY held territory will transmit, in the clear, a verbal weather report as requested by the controller. Only when radio silence is being observed for a special reason or in the interest of safety will this request be disregarded.

2. The initial request for the necessary data will be made by the Wing Weather Officer to the controller who in turn will obtain the report on airborne flight.

3. After obtaining this data, the Wing Weather Officer will place the information upon the weather teletype net for immediate dissemination.

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CLAIMS SERVICE

1. Pursuant to the authority contained in Section III, paragraph 5 g, US3TAF Regulations No. 80-5, Headquarters US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 1 January 1945, subject: "Administrative Practices -- Claims", (the following procedure is directed, for all units of this Air Force, except those units under the command of the XII Tactical Air Command.

a. With the exception of claims for loss of personal property by military personnel or civilian employees and claims arising from aircraft accidents, one (1) copy of all documents forwarded to an officer of the Theater Claims Service or to a Director of Claims, pursuant to current claims directive, Circular 116, HQ, European Theater of Operations, 8 December 1944, will be forwarded through channels to this headquarters for review and file.

2. Units under the command of the XII Tactical Air Command will forward the documents prescribed in paragraph 1 a, above, to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.

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MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORTS

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SECTION I - GENERAL

1. The basic directives on the subject of Motor Vehicle Accident Reports on the Continent are: Circular 118, European T of Ops, U S Army, 8 December 1944; and USSTAF Regulations No. 80-5, 1 January 1945. The provisions of this memorandum are pursuant to and in clarification of the above basic directives. All previous instructions concerning Motor Vehicle Accident Reports issued by this or any lower headquarters inconsistent with the above are rescinded.

SECTION II - UNIT CLAIMS OFFICER

1. Unit Claims Officers and any necessary assistant Unit Claims Officers will be appointed by the Commanding Officer of each group or corresponding tactical unit each higher echelon, each administrative command, each post, camp or station, and any other Commanding Officer who finds such action necessary or desirable.

2. In accordance with the provisions of par 7d, AR 25-20, 3 July 1943, duties as Claims Officer will ordinarily have priority over all other assignments.

SECTION III - CONTENTS OF THE REPORT

1. The following papers constitute the complete Motor Vehicle Accident Report

a. U.S.A. Driver's Accident Report Form (Form 26A - Revised).

- (1) All items in Form 26A (Revised) should be answered completely.
- (2) The diagram of the accident should be drawn to large scale, and should show detailed measurements, including width of roads, length of skid marks, and feet travelled by each vehicle immediately before and after the impact.
- (3) The diagram should also include all other information required by item 23 of Form 26A (Revised).

b. Statements of witnesses.

- (1) Signed sworn narrative statements of all available witnesses should be included in the Report. If a witness is not available, the

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- reasons therefor should be stated.
- (2) Military Witnesses should be warned of their rights under Article of War 24 and their signed statements should indicate that this has been done.
 - (3) The statements of witnesses should be obtained normally after the Unit Claims Officer has visited (if practicable) the scene of the accident with U.S. Military witnesses and has had the accident re-enacted as much as is logical.

c. Unit Claims Officer's Report.

- (1) The Unit Claims Officer will attach his own report of the accident. This may either be on .D. Form 39, or, if not available, it may consist of a statement setting forth the following information: his own version of how the accident occurred, based on his investigation; who was at fault; whether the U. S. driver was in line of duty; an opinion as to the correctness of the statements of each witness; and anything else that will aid in processing the Report.

SECTION IV - PROCESSING OF THE REPORT

1. The Motor Vehicle Accident Report will be prepared in triplicate.
2. In the event a civilian or civilian property or foreign military personnel are involved in the accident, the Report will be processed as follows:

a. Within 5 days of the occurrence of the accident, the Unit Claims Officer will send the original direct (not through channels) to any officer of the Theatre Claims Service, preferably one nearest the scene of the accident; or to a Claims Office Team nearest the scene of the accident; or to the Director of Claims of the Communication Zone Base or Section in which the accident occurred.

- (1) The addresses of the Director of Claims on the Continent are as follows: Normandy Base Section, APO 652; Brittany Base Section, APO 517; Advanced Section, APO 113; Oise Section, APO 513; Seine Section, APO 807; Channel Base Section, APO 228; Delta Base Section, APO 772; Continental Advanced Section, APO 633.

b. One copy of the Report will be retained in the unit file.

c. A signed carbon copy of the Report will be forwarded through channels to this headquarters for review and filing. However, all units under the command of the XII Tactical Air Command will forward such original copy to that headquarters. A carbon copy is made at the same time and with the same device as the original and is not a "copy" but a duplicate original.

d. The signed carbon copy of the Report which is forwarded to this headquarters or to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, will be accompanied by a letter of transmittal which will contain the following information:

- (1) The officer of the Theatre Claims Service, or the Claims Office

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Team or the Director of Claims to whom the original Report was forwarded, and the AFO address.

- (2) The date on which the original Report was so forwarded.
- (3) A complete statement of any disciplinary action taken, or if no such action has been taken or is contemplated, the reasons therefor.
- (4) Explanation for any failure to forward the original Report to an officer of the Theatre Claims Service or Claims Office Team or to the Director of Claims within 5 days of the occurrence of the accident.
- (5) Whether a Report of Survey has been initiated, and if not, the reasons therefor.

3. In the event no civilian or civilian property or foreign military personnel are involved in the accident, the Report will be processed as follows:

- a. No copy of the Report will be sent to any officer of a Theatre Claims Service or to a Claims Office Team or to the Director of Claims.
- b. Two copies of the Report will be retained in the unit file.
- c. The original of the Report will be forwarded through channels to this headquarters for review and filing. However, all units under the command of the XII Tactical Air Command will forward the original to that headquarters.
- d. The letter of transmittal accompanying the original Report forwarded to this headquarters or to the Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command, will be the same as the letter of transmittal set forth in par 2d, sub-sections (1) to (5), above, except that it will be stated that the original Report was not forwarded to any officer of the Theatre Claims Service or to any Claims Office Team or to the Director of Claims because no civilian or civilian property or foreign military personnel were involved.

4. In the event a motor vehicle accident results in death to any person other than U.S. military personnel, a preliminary report by telephone or otherwise should be made immediately to any officer of the Theatre Claims Service, preferably one nearest the scene of the accident; or to a Claims Office Team nearest the scene of the accident; or to the Director of Claims of the Communication Zone Base or Section in which the accident occurred.

SECTION V - DISPOSITION OF THE REPORT

1. Pursuant to par 3, AR 345-10, 26 April 1944, and Circular 121, European T of Opns, U S Army, 16 December 1944, copies of Motor Vehicle Accident Reports will be deemed non-record material and will be disposed of as follows:

- a. Copies of Reports having been on file at a command headquarters 3 months or more will be eliminated by the said headquarters in accordance with par 9, AR 345-10, and par 380-5, 15 March 1944, after the following information

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is recorded on a permanent card or other file record:

- (1) Date, city or town, and department where accident occurred.
- (2) Name, grade, and organization of U.S. driver.
- (3) Name and address of civilian involved.
- (4) Date of forwarding and address of officer of Theatre Claims Service, Claims Office Team or Director of Claims to whom original report was forwarded.
- (5) Extent of personal injury or property damage.

b. Copies of Reports having been on file at the unit headquarters 6 months or more will be eliminated as above after the information listed in subsections (1) to (5), above, is recorded on a permanent card or other file record.

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13 April 1945

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INSPECTION

PRINCIPLES CONTROLLING INSPECTION ACTIVITIES
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

(Memorandum No. 120-1, this headquarters, 4 December 1944, and 120-1A, this headquarters, 8 December 1944, are rescinded.)

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1. POLICY OF INSPECTION.

a. The policy on inspection activities in First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is decentralization of direct inspection. There shall be maintained a thorough administrative and technical inspection system at stations, groups, depots, and similar installations, provided, however, inspection activities at any installation may be consolidated into one section operating directly under the control of the station commander. This inspection system will be directly supervised, and the units and activities covered thereby directly inspected by the next higher echelon of command, at intervals specified in par 6 b, below.

b. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will conduct supervisory inspections to determine the adequacy of the inspection system in the commands and the effectiveness of its operation, and will conduct such other inspections and investigations as may be directed by the commander of higher authority. Commanders concerned may utilize inspectors, wherever assigned within their commands, to conduct necessary inspections and investigations.

c. In order to promote more effective functioning of the inspection system commanders will organize all inspection activities and personnel of their respective headquarters under one head to be designated the Air Inspector of the organization concerned. Inspectors below station and/or group level, or similar installation, will not be so designated.

d. Inspectors General normally will not be assigned to headquarters below those exercising supervisory-direct inspection.

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e. The formal general inspection, termed "the annual general inspection" (Par. 1, AR 20-10) is not prescribed for this command. The special general inspections referred to in Par. 6 b, below, are in lieu of "the annual general inspection."

2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSPECTION. Inspection is strictly a command function. Each commander must know the condition of his unit, both personnel and materiel, before he can use it effectively for the accomplishment of the assigned mission. In small units, where personal contact can be maintained and where equipment is fairly simple, it is a relatively easy matter for the commander to combine the functions of inspection, administration, and operations; in short, to exercise command. In the highly technical units of the Air Forces, with complex equipment, diverse activities and dispersed conditions, it is impractical for the commander to maintain adequate personal contact. Therefore, the organization and maintenance of an inspection system is necessary. The mere creation of such a system does not relieve the commander of his responsibility for the efficient employment of men and materiel, but is, however, an essential aid to the discharge of that duty. The effectiveness of an inspection system depends upon the emphasis placed on inspection by the commander.

3. PURPOSE OF INSPECTION.

a. The purpose of inspection of each AAF activity is to determine for the commander concerned the efficiency of administration and maintenance, and the manner of performance of the assigned mission.

b. In order to insure that the utmost benefit be derived from inspection, it is necessary that inspection emphasis be placed in order of importance, on those major factors affecting performance of the mission of a unit or activity and the efficiency and economy of its operations. Some irregularities and deficiencies are inevitable. Under field and combat conditions, a super-critical attitude on the failure to maintain a peacetime, garrison standard on minor, insignificant matters is an ABUSE OF INSPECTION. Conversely, to ignore those irregularities and deficiencies which have a real bearing on the efficient and effective administration and operation of a unit or activity on the excuse of wartime conditions is a FAILURE OF INSPECTION. While major irregularities and deficiencies must be brought to the attention of his commander by an inspector, it is his further responsibility, without bias or prejudice, to report his findings and conclusions as to the individual or activity responsible for the existence of such conditions, and, where appropriate, make such recommendations for remedial action.

4. ORGANIZATION OF INSPECTION ACTIVITIES.

a. The Inspection Section of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) shall consist of the Air Inspector with an Inspector General and a Technical Inspector and such other assistants as required. This section will formulate major policies on inspection; exercise general supervision over all inspection activities in the command; maintain liaison with inspection sections in higher headquarters, and conduct such special inspections and investigations as may be directed by the Commanding General. Matters on inspection and investigation will be referred to or coordinated with this section by other staff sections at this headquarters.

b. The commanders of echelons of command next subordinate to this headquarters will organize the inspection activities within their respective commands in accordance with the provisions hereof. Supervisory-direct inspection may be retained

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at their respective headquarters or delegated to next subordinate commanders, provided, however, that such delegation shall not be made to an echelon of command not normally commanded by a general officer.

5. INSPECTION PERSONNEL.

a. The air inspectors at headquarters above station and/or group level, or similar organizations, except commands not operating aircraft, will be a heavier-than-air pilot currently and actively participating in aircraft flights. In the appointment of air inspectors seniority in grade need not be considered.

b. At headquarters authorized inspectors general, the air inspector may, and at least one other officer of the inspection section will, be detailed in the Inspector General's Department with the approval of this headquarters, the Air Inspector USSTAF, the Air Inspector AAF, and The Inspector General of the Army.

c. Additional duties will not be assigned to inspection personnel which will interfere with the effective prosecution of inspection duties.

d. Each headquarters will maintain records of personnel assigned to inspection sections of each subordinate headquarters and organization, including stations and groups. Records will show additional duties performed by each inspector in his organization. All changes in assignment or duties will be reported promptly to the next higher headquarters.

e. An initial roster of all personnel assigned to inspection activities in this air force showing name, rank and serial number will be submitted to this headquarters, and changes thereafter will be promptly reported.

6. FREQUENCY OF INSPECTIONS. Although the frequency of inspection is not limited, the following will be considered the minimum requirements:

a. Inspection of stations and/or groups, including all units and activities assigned or attached thereto, by their own inspectors is a continuing process, and will insure coverage of all activities under the command jurisdiction of their respective headquarters at least once each month unless otherwise prescribed by regulations.

b. Stations and/or groups or similar installations, including all units and activities assigned or attached thereto, will be formally inspected at least once each four-month period by the inspection section exercising supervisory-direct inspection jurisdiction over the installation concerned. These inspections may be of the "continuing type" provided that full coverage is made within the prescribed period. Commanders concerned may order inspections at more frequent intervals. (NOTE: The period of 4 months mentioned above applies to technical as well as administrative inspections).

c. Tactical inspections will be made as directed by the commanders concerned.

7. PLANNING INSPECTIONS. It is important that inspectors make such plans prior to conducting an inspection that will insure maximum results therefrom with a minimum of interference with the normal activity of the unit being inspected. In general this planning will include:

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- a. A review of reports of previous inspections and investigations to determine matters requiring special attention.
- b. A study of pertinent directives and training standards affecting the unit.
- c. Briefing of inspection personnel.
- d. Inquiry of staff sections at inspector's headquarters to ascertain matters requiring special inquiry.

8. REPORTS OF INSPECTION.

- a. Reports will be prepared in the form and routed in the manner prescribed by the commander concerned, subject to the limitations imposed by subparagraphs hereof. Ratings will be Superior, Excellent, Satisfactory and Unsatisfactory.
- b. Not later than the 10th day of each month the Air Inspector of I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov), XII Tactical Air Command, and 42nd Bombardment Wing (M), will forward to the Commanding General, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), attention of the Air Inspector, a list of all organizations inspected by them during the previous month, with the date of inspection, rating, and type (supervisory, direct, visit of observation) of inspection conducted, under the headings, Technical and Administrative.
- c. Major irregularities and deficiencies, whenever disclosed by an inspector, will be made the subject of Action-letters, IGD (Inspectors General - ref Par. 10, AR 20-10), and Case-reports, AAF (Technical Inspectors - ref USSTAF Reg. 120-3). These letters and reports will be routed through the commander of the unit or activity inspected to the commander on whose staff the inspector is serving. The latter commander will forward them by indorsement to a higher echelon of command, in the event that corrective action is required which is beyond the capacity or ability of his command to apply. All commanders through whom such letters and reports pass will review them, state corrective action taken or instructions issued in respect thereto and make such other comments or recommendations as may be appropriate. Letters and reports will be forwarded with the least practicable delay.
- d. Informal memoranda listing minor irregularities and deficiencies disclosed by inspectors during the course of inspection will be handled in the manner prescribed in Par. 17b, AR 20-10, and normally will be prepared and submitted to the commander concerned at the close of the inspection and before the inspector departs from the station of the activity or installation inspected.
- e. Action-letters, IGD, and Case-reports, AAF, may be referred out of command channels to an appropriate headquarters; under the administrative control of Headquarters, U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, where such headquarters is closely concerned in applying corrective action. In such instances, the forwarding indorsement will specifically request that the report be indorsed back to the headquarters from which received.
- f. Reports of Inspection will not be submitted to The Inspector General of the Army nor to any headquarters higher than the commander who orders the inspection unless otherwise directed.

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9. ACTION BY COMMANDERS. Prompt remedial action will be taken by appropriate commanders on irregularities and deficiencies reported, both to correct the specific case and to prevent re-occurrence. Recommendations, when made by inspections, do not preclude commanders from taking or recommending other appropriate action.

10. CHAIN OF COMMAND.

a. Inspectors are in the same category as any other staff officer in this position, and do not hold separate offices unto themselves. Inspectors are responsible only to the commander on whose staff they serve.

b. For official matters inspectors will adhere to channels of command jurisdiction in order that commanders concerned may indorse their comments or recommendations thereon.

c. On informal routine matters direct liaison and coordination between inspection sections is authorized and encouraged, provided, however, that the inspector has ascertained whether his headquarters or any higher headquarters in the chain of command has established a policy on the subject matter.

11. REFERENCES. The principles governing inspection activities in the Air Forces are set forth in the following publications:

- a. Regulations and memoranda of the 120 series, Headquarters, Army Air Forces, USA (See USSTAF Reg 120-2 and AAF Reg 0-2 as reproduced by USSTAF).
- b. USSTAF Regulations of the 120 and 121 series.
- c. Circulars, memoranda, and special letter instructions from higher authority in this theater.
- d. Army Regulations of the 20 series.
- e. Special Instructions from the War Department.
- f. Air Force Technical Orders, with emphasis on Technical Orders 00-15-1, 00-15-2, (T.O. 00-15-2 has been incorporated in AAF Regulation 120-6), 00-15-3.

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INSPECTIONS

Inspection Policy

(Paragraph 17b., Memorandum No. 120-1, this Headquarters, dated 4 December 1944, is revoked and the following substituted therefor:)

17. * * * * *

b. Stations and/or groups, and similar installations, including all units and activities assigned or attached thereto, will be formally inspected at least once each two-month period on technical inspections, and at least once each four-month period on administrative inspections, by the inspection section exercising supervisory-direct inspection jurisdiction over the installation concerned. These inspections may be of the "continuing type", provided that full coverage is made within the prescribed period.

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4 December 1944

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The Squadron Technical Inspector

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1. The policy stated in this memorandum will be followed by all units of Squadron level operating or servicing aircraft, but will not be mandatory for other units unless ordered by higher headquarters.

2. The Squadron Commander is responsible for the technical administration of his organization. To assist him in this function, the best qualified non-commissioned officer available will be appointed Squadron Technical Inspector. Since this is a most important full time activity, the squadron technical inspector will be assigned no additional duties. His rank and experience should be, at least equal to, or greater than that of any of the flight chiefs. The Squadron Technical Inspector will cooperate with the squadron engineering officer and line chief, but will be the direct representative of the Squadron Commander for the purpose of keeping him informed on the status of the squadron with respect to technical administration as outlined in various technical publications, directives, etc., issued by higher authority.

3. It should be the duty of the Squadron Technical Inspector to conduct detailed continuing technical inspections of all equipment, files, records, and work accomplished. He shall also be a source of information to less experienced personnel on technical matters.

4. The following procedure is recommended for the Squadron Technical Inspector to accomplish his duties:

a. Files: After familiarizing himself with the contents of all technical publications, regulations, memoranda, directives, etc., to make proper distribution within the squadron to the sections concerned. Supervise the maintenance of squadron section technical files and make necessary detailed checks to insure that these files are kept up to date, and are at all reasonable times available to personnel concerned. Keep an up to date list posted with pertinent technical publications to be read and initialed by crew chiefs or other personnel concerned. In case of lengthy publications, designate appropriate sections, pages and paragraphs to be read.

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b. Records and Reports: After crew chiefs have accomplished the entries in Forms 41B, have these forms and Forms 1 turned in together daily to the engineering office. The Squadron Technical Inspector will check these forms daily for correctness and uniformity. With the assistance of the engineering clerk, the Squadron Technical Inspector will supervise the maintenance of forms 60A, 60B and 61 and make continuing inspections to insure that all pertinent technical orders are entered. Check all newly assigned aircraft, and those being transferred from the squadron, for completeness of equipment, forms, and records. Supervise and check the maintenance of any other technical forms and records pertinent to squadron equipment of all kinds.

c. Equipment: Conduct continuing detailed inspections of all work accomplished on aircraft and equipment. Inspect all aircraft upon the completion of each 25, 50, 100 hour, and subsequent inspections. A great amount of this inspection of equipment, forms, maintenance inspection forms, and aircraft inspection should be accomplished upon completion of 25, 50 and 100 hour inspections. Forms 60A, 60B and 61 should be checked and brought up to date immediately after completion of work accomplished on aircraft or allied equipment on these forms. Pertinent records required for other equipment such as field servicing units, tugs, tractors, energizers, generators, fire extinguishers, etc., should be maintained by operator personnel responsible for the equipment concerned, but the squadron technical inspector will inspect such equipment and records.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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25 January 1945

INSPECTION
UNIT MAIL INSPECTION

1. Reference is made to paragraph 31, Memorandum No 20-7, 28 Dec 1944, this Headquarters, Subject: "Administrative Practices--Mail".

2. In order to implement the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Postal Officer's periodic inspections of units assigned or attached to this Air Force, the Postal Officer of each unit will conduct a postal inspection of that unit every two (2) months, the first inspection to be made on or before 20 Feb 1945. Reports will be submitted to this Headquarters not later than the 30th of the month following each inspection.

3. A separate report on each unit inspected will be prepared in quadruplicate on "Unit Mail Clerk Inspection Form", (USAF Post 1 Form No 9), sample of which is attached, and disposition made as follows: original to Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov); 1 copy to the group commander; 1 copy to the unit inspected; 1 copy to be retained by the inspecting officer.

4. On these inspections the Unit Postal Officer will observe the method used by the Unit Mail Clerk in delivering mail to individuals. He will secure himself that adequate protection is afforded mail matter before delivery, and will take the necessary steps to correct any irregularities noted. The importance of keeping accurate records will be brought to the attention of each mail clerk.

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UNIT MAIL CLERK INSPECTION REPORT

UNIT _____ SERVED BY APO _____

COMMANDING OFFICER _____

UNIT POSTAL OFFICER _____

AUTHORIZED MAIL CLERK _____ ASS'T OR

ALTERNATE _____

(References in parentheses below relate to TM 12-275 unless otherwise stated)

- I--EQUIPMENT AND FILES. 1. Does the mail clerk have a personnel roster? _____
2. Does the unit have personnel on TD or DS at another location? _____
3. Are past, present, TD, and DS personnel listed thereon? _____
4. Is the roster kept up to date? _____
5. Does each authorized mail clerk have a copy of TM 12-275? _____
6. Are the following items properly supplied, BFT Forms? _____ V-Mail Forms? _____
(PC 30, 1942) V-Mail change of address forms? _____ Postal Forms 46? _____
ND AGO Form 204, Notice of change of address? _____
7. Are mail bags promptly returned to source from which obtained? _____ (Par. 13b)
- II--SECURITY AND PRIVACY OF THE MAILS. 8. Mail must not be placed in pigeonholes, boxes, on beds, or such places, but must be delivered personally to the addressee (Par. 2h). Are these instructions fully observed? _____
9. Are persons other than the authorized unit mail clerks permitted to handle mail? _____ (Par. 2a).
10. Are undelivered parcels and other mail protected against theft? _____
11. Is a covered receptacle provided for outgoing V-Mail? _____ (PC 20, 1942).
12. Are indications of theft or rifling of mail promptly reported? _____
- III--REGISTERED AND INSURED MAIL. 13. Are receipts obtained for registered and insured mail? _____ (Par. 11a).
14. Is positive identification of the addressee required before delivery is made? _____ (Par. 11b).
15. Is it understood that delivery of a registered or insured article may be made only to the addressee or to a person bearing the written order of the addressee? _____ (Par. 11a).
16. Does the mail clerk check his registered and insured mail against the delivery bills? _____ (Par. 11d).
17. Are Forms 922 completed as required? _____ (Par. 11d, c, f, g & j; 19d & c).
18. Does both the unit and delivering clerk maintain receipts for registered and insured mail? _____ (Par. 7 USSIAF Reg 80-3).
19. Is registered and insured mail kept securely locked during absence of the mail clerk? _____ (Par. 11i; 19f).
20. Does the mail clerk understand how to handle mis-sent pieces of mail? _____ (Par. 7a).
21. Are mis-sent packages of letter mail properly indorsed? _____ (Par. 7a).
22. Is undeliverable mail properly re-addressed when the forwarding address is known? _____ (Par. 7b).
23. If the forwarding address is not known is the mail immediately returned to the APO with proper indorsement? _____ (Par. 7c).
24. When mail is received for an individual who is accounted for as "killed in action", "missing in action", "dead", etc., does the mail clerk understand that he should draw a line thru the address and turn the mail over to the C.O. or other officer? _____ (ND Cir 166, 1945, Par. 5b).
25. Is wrongly addressed mail properly indorsed? _____ (Par. 7e, 8a).

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26. Do indorsements include the mail clerk's initials and date?
27. Does the mail clerk understand how to handle mail from a soldier who is AWOL?
(Hq SCS Ltr Cir 62, 1943.)

V--SUPERVISION BY COMMANDER. Does the mail clerk operate under supervision of the postal officer of the station, squadron, or similar organization?
(Par 2b)

28. Is AD Form 922 checked by a commissioned officer and properly filed?
(Par 11j; 1943.)

29. Is the letter file inspected at frequent intervals?
(Par 5c; 10.)

30. Is there any evidence of delay to outgoing mail because of not being promptly censored?
(Par 20a; Cir 33, Hq. WFOU, 1943.)

VI--ISOLATION. 31. Are notices placed on bulletin boards stressing the importance of having mail properly addressed?
(Par 12c.)

32. Is copy of Cir 33, Hq. WFOU, 21 March 1943, posted on the headquarters or unit bulletin board as a guide?
(Par 12c.)

33. Does the mail clerk examine outgoing mail to insure that it is correct and complete return address is supplied?
(Par 12c.)

34. To what command is the unit assigned?
(Par 12c.)

35. Does the unit use this number?
(Par 12c.)

36. Is outgoing mail, when not bearing complete return address, returned to sender?
(Par 12c.)

37. Does the mail clerk ascertain that new men have informed their former mail clerk of their new address?
(Par 2). If not, does the mail clerk himself give such notification?
(Par 2).

38. Is all mail obtained from collection boxes prior to leaving for the station, group or other post office to obtain incoming mail?
(Par 2).

39. Is outgoing mail facelined and tied by the mail clerk?
(Par 2.)

REMARKS:

I certify that I have personally observed the methods and practices followed and that the answers to the above questions show the true condition of the service.

POSTAL Form No. 9
1 cv Inspected unit
1 cv Sta C.O.
1 cv Command
1 cv Unit Inspector

(Inspecting Officer)

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MEMORANDUM

4 February 1945

NO 125-1)

QUARTERMASTER

BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURNS
(This Memorandum rescinds Memorandum No. 65-10, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 5 January 1945)

1. All units and detachments assigned or attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) for supply will submit a report as outlined on attached Form 125-1A, Inclosure 1.
2. Each service group and air depot group of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov) will submit a report as outlined on attached Form 125-1B, Inclosure 2.
3. Reports will be prepared as of the 15th and last day of each month, and forwarded so as to reach this headquarters (Attn: Quartermaster), by the 3rd and 18th of each month.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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FORM 125-1A

BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURN

Reporting Unit _____ Location _____

Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____ Date _____

Actual Strength of Unit - Officers _____ Enlisted Men _____

TYPE RATION

	A	B	C	K	10-1	POW MENU	FR MENU	ITAL MENU
CONSUMED BY --								
US Troops								
US Navy								
British Forces								
French Forces								
US Civilians								
Allied Civilians								
Prisoners of War								
Italian Labor								
Totals								

NOTE: British supplied French units are considered to be British units when submitting Reciprocal Aid Reports and such rations, MT POL, coal, PX gratuitous rations, etc., issued to these French units will be charged against the British Government.

Supplies drawn from _____ Location _____
(DP, RHD, DEPCT, SERV GP)

Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____

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BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURN

1. Form 125-1A and Form 125-1B are rescinded, and the in-
closed forms substituted.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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FORM 125-10A

BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURN

Reporting Unit _____ Location _____
 Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____ Date _____
 Actual Strength of Unit- Officers _____ Enlisted Men _____

	A	B	C	K	10-1	POW Manu	FR Manu	Ital Manu
Total rations consumed during period by:								
U S Troops								
U S Navy								
British Forces								
French Forces								
U S Civilians								
Allied Civilians								
Prisoners of War								
Italian Labor								
Totals								

SUPPLY POINTS

	Svc Gp, Team, Pump, or Railroad	Location	Coordinates
QM Class I			
QM Class III			
QM Class II & IV			

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FORM 125-10B

BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURN

Reporting Organization _____ Location _____

Coordinates _____ Nearest Town _____ Date _____

Unit Served	LOCATION		STRENGTH				Total Rations Issued During Period
	Town	Coordinates	Off	EM	Other	Total	

SUPPLY POINTS

	Depot, Pump or Railhead	Location	Coordinates
QM Class I			
QM Class III			

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QUARTERMASTER

16 April 1945

BI-MONTHLY RATION STRENGTH AND SUPPLY POINT RETURNS

Memorandum 125-1, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 4 February 1945, as amended by Memorandum 125-1A, dated 26 February 1945, is rescinded.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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CHEMICAL

CHEMICAL WARFARE POLICY

1. Attached as Inclosure 1 hereto is Operations Memorandum Number 15, Second Edition, 4 September 1944, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force. This Memorandum will be complied with by all units of this Command.

2. No toxic chemical munitions will be stored on First Tactical Air Force stations. The storage and use of smoke and incendiary munitions will not be affected.

3. Enemy toxic munitions captured by units of this Air Force will be reported immediately to this Headquarters.

4. Personnel of this Air Force will retain their gas masks complete with the individual protective items authorized to be carried in the gas mask carrier.

5. The following items will be retained by all units authorized the listed items:

(a). T/E equipment: gas alarms; apparatus, decontaminating, power-driven, M3A1 or M-4; water heater, portable, M-1; kit, vapor detector, MK II or M-9.

(b). Expendable equipment: cover, protective, individual; ointment, protective; eyeshields; BAL eye ointment; sleeve, gas detector; disinfectant, gas mask; crayon, vesicant detector; paper, liquid vesicant detector; paint, liquid vesicant detector.

6. All other items of Chemical equipment will be turned in through normal supply channels to the Base Depot. No changes in T/E or Special equipment for Chemical Warfare Service Units is authorized except as may specifically directed by this Headquarters.

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7. All units will prepare and keep on file requisitions for individual protective clothing and organizational supplies returned to the Depots, so that in the event of the use of gas by the enemy, requisitions may be immediately submitted for reissue of material.

8. Reference Par. 6, Training and Passive Defense, Inclosure 1. Review and refresher anti-gas training will continue in all units, in order to maintain a high level of gas discipline. Such training has been and will continue to be a large factor in deterring the use of gas by the enemy.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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RUSSEL L. PUTMAN,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

SHAEF/17450/9/Ops(A)

4 September 1944

OPERATION MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 15 Second Edition)

CHEMICAL WARFARE

1. OBJECT

a. The object of this revised Operation Memorandum is to lay down a new policy which will eliminate the further transportation by troops, and shipment to the Continent, of quantities of anti-gas/protective clothing and equipment which are no longer justified in view of the fact that the most likely period for the use of gas (I.E. the period of initial maintenance across beaches and operations to capture the first major port) has passed without its use by the enemy.

b. Although this revised policy must not be construed as eliminating the possibility of future initiation of gas warfare by the enemy during the campaign, certain reductions can now be made in the carry, supply, and maintenance load of protective/anti-gas clothing and equipment in view of the decreased likelihood of a decisive effect on the success of the campaign being achieved by the use of gas by the enemy.

2. OFFENSIVE POLICY

a. Full scales of gas offensive equipment will be maintained and held in the UK in case, and until, gas warfare begins.

b. Toxic gas will not be employed, and offensive gas ammunition will not be taken overseas, or moved into or through ports and port areas, until so ordered by the Supreme Commander. Commanders responsible for the initiation of movement orders will ensure that these orders are specific as to responsibility, control, markings, safety precautions, supervision, and protective measures.

c. All commanders concerned will prepare, and keep under constant review, plans for immediate retaliatory action if and when chemical warfare is inaugurated. Copies of all such plans will be referred to this HQ for coordination and approval. These plans should include utilization initially of only such supplies and items of equipment as are now available in the Theater. It is believed that first retaliatory measures will be by air.

d. If and when chemical warfare is resorted to, commanders responsible for ordering the employment of toxic agents will be responsible for warning all Allied units operating in the vicinity.

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e. The storage and shipment of lethal and toxic gas, and chemical ammunition and bombs, will be closely controlled under the supervision of Ordnance/Chemical Warfare Services. These services will be responsible for establishing and maintaining safety precautions for storage and shipment. Decontamination squads, chemical handling and loading equipment, respirators/gas masks, anti-gas/protective clothing and equipment, and first aid materials will be held in all toxic gas dumps and will accompany all shipments. Shipments will be clearly marked to indicate the contents. Carriers will be notified in advance, and will be instructed to take safety precautions. Manifests will describe the shipment in detail, and will specify the necessary counter-acting chemical or decontaminating agent. Shipments will be routed through sparsely populated areas whenever possible.

3. DEFENSIVE POLICY

a. Service organizations behind army rear boundaries. All CW expendable supplies, T/E gas defense items, individual protective items, and unit and personal anti-gas clothing and equipment will be turned in, at the discretion of the responsible Army Group or Zone of Communications Commanders, to nearest base depots by service organizations behind army rear boundaries, with the exception of gas masks/respirators and contents of haversacks which will be retained on the person, or held in unit storage at the discretion of Commanders (who will ensure that gas masks/respirators are kept available for re-issue within 24 hours), and BRITISH AV battledress which will continue to be worn, but will be treated as ordinary clothing, and will NOT be re-impregnated.

b. Combat units and service organizations forward of army rear boundaries. All CW expendable supplies, T/E gas defense items, individual protective items, and unit and personal anti-gas clothing and equipment will be turned in, at the discretion of the responsible Army Group commanders, to nearest base depots by combat units and service organizations forward of army rear boundaries; with the exception of gas masks/respirators, contents of haversacks, and protective covers anti-gas capes which will be retained on the person, or held in unit storage at the discretion of Army Commander (who will ensure that these items are kept available for reissue within 24 hours.) BRITISH AV battle-dress will continue to be worn, but will be treated as ordinary clothing and will not be reimpregnated.

c. Air and Navy Forces. The Air and Navy plans should be revised in accordance with the above policy in the manner best suited to their operational procedure.

d. Chemical protective items, other than gas masks/respirators and contents of haversack, will not be re-issued. Shipment of additional items of chemical defensive equipment/supplies to the Continent will be restricted to those items required to balance prescribed stock levels. Where overall theater stocks of individual protective items are below the agreed theater levels, they will be completed in accordance with troop strength, and the additional quantities, other than those required to balance stocks on the Continent, will be held in the United Kingdom and not on the Continent.

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4. EMPLOYMENT OF CHEMICAL WARFARE TROOPS

a. All Chemical Organizations and Units will continue in their basic mission until authorized by this HQ to adopt an alternative role. At all times they must be capable of re-conversion to their basic mission without delay. Chemical labour units will be utilized for the examination of captured enemy equipment and other types of chemical service tests.

5. GAS REPORTS AND INTELLIGENCE

a. If at any time during operations (in the UK or overseas) the enemy uses gas against our forces, a secret substantiated report will be despatched forthwith to the Supreme Commander.

b. When enemy use of gas has been proved, the type of subsequent reports which may be required by this HQ will be specified.

c. In the UK, the policy of the BRITISH Government is to withhold general warning to the public until the first use of gas has been officially confirmed. Lower formations will give the first local warnings to civilians in the UK only if required to save civilian lives. BRITISH authorities will be responsible for the general warning.

d. General warnings of the presence of gas will be issued at all times during overseas operations, and at all times in the UK after the issue of the general warning by His Majesty's Government.

e. Technical Intelligence Teams will operate as initially provided, and will not relax in gathering and passing back technical information concerning captured enemy chemical equipment. All captured enemy CW equipment will be passed or reported to rear through normal channels, and will not be disposed of, or despatched out of the theater, except in accordance with instructions laid down in SHAEF intelligence Directive No. 9.

6. TRAINING AND PASSIVE DEFENCE

a. Anti-gas training will be continued, and normal arrangements completed for decontamination of vital areas such as ports, marshalling yards, communication centres, static camps, etc.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

OFFICIAL:

W.B. SMITH;
Lieutenant General, US Army
Chief of Staff

/s/ H. R. Bull;
/t/ H. R. BULL,
Major General, CSC,
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CHEMICAL

Marking of Fire Bomb Gel Containers

1. All type containers (55-gallon drums, 5-gallon cans, etc.) that are filled or have been filled with NaPalm Gel will be suitably marked to insure that the container will not again be used for gasoline.

2. All such containers will be stenciled in large letters in a manner similar to the following:

FIRE BOMB GEL
NOT SUITABLE
FOR GASOLINE
FOR DISPOSAL

3. The number of containers so used should be kept to a minimum. A maximum of 4000 cans, 5-gallon, and 200 drums, 55-gallon, per Operational Group is considered adequate.

4. All personnel of all units will be informed that containers marked as shown in Par. 2 must not be used for gasoline, as any gasoline placed therein is rendered unfit for use as motor (aircraft or vehicle) fuel and in stoves, lamps, etc.

5. Any marked containers found will be turned in to the nearest Service Team Chemical Section for delivery to the nearest Chemical Company Air Operations.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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CHEMICAL

DEFENSE AGAINST CHEMICAL ATTACK

1. General: The purpose of defense against Chemical attacks is to minimize casualties and interruptions to aerial operations and should be so conducted as to obtain maximum protection at all times with the least attendant effort.

2. Defense Plans: All units will have prepared at all times adequate defense plans formulated consistent with available means for protection and decontamination in accordance with precepts of FM 21-10 and other technical directives. Adequate personnel for operation of the plan will be trained and maintained at all times.

3. Gas Masks: Gas masks; complete with adjunct equipment, i.e.; (1) protective covers, (2) protective ointment, (3) eyeshields, (4) BAJ eye ointment, will be available at all times and will be carried whenever visits are made forward of corps rear boundaries and in such communication zone sectors as may be designated from time to time.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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CHEMICAL

STORAGE AND HANDLING OF CHEMICAL
WARFARE MUNITIONS

1. Ordnance personnel of the 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov) are relieved from responsibility for the storage, maintenance, salvage, and issue of all Chemical Warfare Class V munitions, including Incendiaries, Smoke Munitions, and Toxic Chemicals.

2. Chemical personnel of the 1st Tactical Air Force (Prov) will assume responsibility for the storage, maintenance, salvage, and issue of all Chemical Warfare Class V munitions, including Incendiaries, Smoke Munitions, and Toxic Chemicals.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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CHEMICAL

GAS ALERT PLAN

1. a. While no use of gas by the enemy is anticipated in the near future, both the ground forces and air forces have the capability of attack with toxic chemicals and this capability must not be discounted.
b. Toxic chemicals will not be used by Allied forces in any form without the express direction of the Supreme Commander. However, after retaliation once commences, areas may be encountered in advances which will have been contaminated by friendly as well as enemy forces.
2. Initial Gas Defense will consist of several phases, i.e., investigation and warning, personnel and equipment protection, and decontamination.
3. a. Any suspicion of the use of gas will be investigated by the station chemical officer, and if the fact is established a report will be made by fastest available means direct to Air Force Headquarters and adjacent units will be notified.
b. Reports received from units of the use of gas will be forwarded to Supreme Commander and CG, USQAF, by fastest means and will, at the same time, be investigated by the Toxic Gas Investigating Officer of the major command concerned, who will render a full report by fastest means to CG, this Air Force, who will then forward same to SHAEF and Hq., USQAF.
c. When confirmed reports of the use of gas by the enemy are received, all units will be directed to initiate operation of unit and station gas defense plans.
4. Commanding Officers of all units and all stations will have at all times adequate Gas Defense Plans to protect personnel and equipment and insure decontamination in the shortest possible time.
5. a. Until the use of gas by the enemy is definitely established, all reports of suspected use will be processed by the fastest electrical means in the clear.

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b. After the initial use of gas has been established and the initial warning issued, reports of gas attacks will be made by the fastest means consistent with security.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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ORDNANCE

AMMUNITION SUPPLY

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(This memorandum supersedes Memorandum
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1. RESPONSIBILITY.

a. Tactical Command Headquarters and First French Air Corps are charged with establishing Station Stock Level Figures. Minimum stock levels at Tactical Stations will be a three (3) day supply, and a maximum of five (5) day supply; of all Ammunition Items. Stock level figures may be revised from time to time by the Tactical Commands. Accurate Records will be kept to insure prompt delivery for Tactical demands.

b. It is the responsibility of the Commanding Officers of the Depots, service centers, and Service Groups to procure, maintain and issue ammunition.

2. STOCK LEVELS.

a. Service centers will maintain stock levels on airdromes in accord with the levels established as provided in 1a above.

b. Organizations on airfields requiring ammunition will draw upon the Ordnance Service Team in the Service Group. Units not on airfields will draw ammunition from the nearest Ordnance Service Team.

c. Depot Stock Levels will be a minimum of five (5) days and a maximum of ten (10) days supply of units which they are servicing.

d. Service Centers will consolidate request and requisition upon the Depot servicing them. Depots will make requests by submitting status of stocks to this Headquarters.

e. Using units will draw upon the Service Team Stocks, using organizational transportation. Service Groups will draw upon the Depot utilizing Service Group transportation. Depots will not deliver ammunition.

3. REPORTS.

a. Commands will submit a consolidated expenditure report as of 1200 hours on the 10th, 20th, and last day of each month, daily expenditures for their respective commands to this Headquarters, Extension 108, between 1900 hours and 2200 hours. Anticipated expenditures for the succeeding three (3) months will be submitted on the 15th of each month.

b. Service Groups will submit a consolidated status of stocks report as of 1200 hours on the 10th, 20th and last day of each month, including all ammunition on the airstrip, including ammunition at aircraft dispersal areas. Daily changes by telephone, (Extension 108) between 1900 hours and 2200 hours. Confirmation copies will be mailed each day. "On Hand" column will be filled in daily on confirmation copy.

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(Memorandum No. 140-2, Hdqs First Tactical Air Force (Prov), dated 26 February '45)

4. AMMUNITION DUMPS.

a. Ammunition Dumps on combat stations will be operated and maintained by the Service Group. Tactical Units will not operate a separate ammunition dump. Bombs may be spotted at dispersal, but not to exceed two missions regardless of type.

5. ISSUES.

a. Issues of ammunition will be made from the depot to the Service Center upon request and from the Service Group S & M Company to the Tactical Organization.

b. Service Centers and Service Groups will telephone request to depot ammunition officers prior to physical pick up of ammunition in order to insure proper delivery.

6. ABANDONED AIRFIELDS.

a. When airfields are abandoned by units of this Air Force it is the responsibility of the Service Group Ordnance S & M Company on the field to notify the depot of such intention. The Ordnance S & M Company will accumulate all ammunition, which is not carried by the unit, in one central dump and maintain supervision until it reverts to Depot Control.

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

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C. E. CRUMMINE,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

T. J. Brogan
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15 April 1945

MEMORANDUM:

NO. 14C-3:

ORDNANCE

ENEMY CAPTURED VEHICLES.

1. Units possessing, or acquiring enemy captured vehicles which they desire to retain, will submit letters, through command channels to this Headquarters, requesting authority for such retention and assignment of USA registration numbers. Such letters will contain the following information:

a. A complete description of the vehicle in question, including make, type, (cargo or passenger), carrying capacity, engine chassis and body serial number.

b. Valid reasons will be given for retention, such as an existing T/E shortage of that particular type vehicle. In which case, a statement to that effect will be given and the vehicle requested will be considered as filling the shortage until the vehicle supply situation becomes less acute. At that time, efforts will be made to replace captured vehicle by a standard USA vehicle, and unit will carry the captured vehicle as an overage, unless otherwise instructed. If no such shortage exists, reasons must be advanced as to the necessity for such additional transportation.

2. Two certificates will accompany the request.

a. A certificate from an Ordnance 3rd echelon installation certifying the serviceability of the vehicle.

b. A certificate, signed by the organization's Commanding Officer, that this vehicle is bona fide captured enemy material, and does not constitute a claim against the United States Government.

3. A copy of the authority for retention must be carried in the vehicle at all times. Each vehicle must be fully marked in accordance with letter, this Headquarters, subject: "Marking of Motor Vehicles", dated 19 January 1945, file number 451.02, to include unit designations.

4. No request for replacement will be made for those captured vehicles when they are lost to the holding organizations unless they are being used to fill T/E shortages. Also, it must be clearly understood that no maintenance parts are available, and that maintenance work on captured vehicles will take last priority in Ordnance shops.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

AGO 656, U.S. Army
27 October 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Sections.

PREPARATION OF MESSAGES

1. Messages on administrative matters for transmission through signal channels will be prepared on mimeograph form, sample attached. (Supply is available in the Adjutant General's Office). The precedence and classification will be typed over the words on the form, so that they will appear on all copies. Message form will be used for original only. As many carbon copies will be made as desired except that original and two carbon copies will be delivered to AG Cable Section, one of which will be returned to originator after time of receipt, and initials of person receiving message in that section have been written thereon. Copies should be furnished to any other interested section by originator.

2. The space on message form marked "NR _____" is for entry of outgoing number. Each section is assigned a letter symbol as follows:

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Dep Op _____	AO	JAG _____	N
Dep Adm _____	AA	CWS _____	O
C/S _____	B	Photo _____	P
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A-2 _____	D	Air Inspector _____	R
A-3 _____	E	Chap _____	S
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IG _____	H	Prov Marshal _____	V
Statistical _____	I	Defense _____	W
Sig _____	J	Sp Sv _____	X
Ord _____	K	PRO _____	Y
QM _____	L	Hq Comdt _____	Z

This symbol, with a number supplied by AG Cable Section, is the reference number of the message and is transmitted as part of the message. Messages may be prepared with a blank space for the number to be inserted when message is delivered to AG Cable Section, or AG Cable Section may be contacted by phone for the number, which will then be typed on the message form.

3. No administrative message will be given a precedence higher than "Priority" except with the concurrence of the Adjutant General.

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4. "Top secret" messages will be prepared on same form and in same method except that only two copies will be prepared and will be delivered under cover of a folder or envelope to the Adjutant General - not to AG Cable Section - who will return copy to originator with time receipt and his initials thereon.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

APC 656 US Army
29 October 1944

MEMORANDUM)

TO) All Personnel, this headquarters.

Personal and Official Mail Address.

1. Army Post Office number 656 has been allocated this headquarters for use on all personal and official mail.
2. Personnel should advise their personal correspondents to use the following address for personal correspondence:

Rank - Name - ASH
Hq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
APC 656 c/o Postmaster
New York City, New York

3. Official mail leaving this headquarters, addressed to units or commands within the theater, should bear the following return address:

Hq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
Section
APC 656 U.S. Army

By command of Major General ROYCE:

J. J. Bogan
J. J. BOGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 656 US ARMY

30 October 1944

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT: New Shoulder Patch Design

TO : All Personnel, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. The Commanding General desires that all personnel who have ideas or suggestions for a new, distinctive shoulder patch to be worn by all officers and EN of this Air Force, submit such ideas to this office for the General's consideration.

2. Several interesting and attractive designs have already been submitted. But before any selection is made it is desired that every possible idea be considered that the final insignia be the best possible.

3. In submitting ideas, designs are desirable but not necessary. So if you cannot submit a drawing of your ideas simply explain them in a memorandum.

4. Regulations require that such shoulder patches include the basic elements of the Standard Air Corps patch - namely, (1) Uprising wings (2) White star with red center (3) Blue background. Orange or gold may be used for numbers. Such patch CANNOT use any national flag, official insignia or coat of arms of any nation.

5. Submit your suggestions to this office as soon as possible that action may be taken and patches may be made up at an early date.

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt. Col, AG
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

APG 850, U. S. Army,
31 October 1944.

MEMORANDUM)

TO : All Units, this Headquarters.

LAUNDRY SERVICE

1. Units of this command desiring officers and enlisted men's laundry service in Lyon will have their laundry collected not later than 2 November 1944. The representative will bring with him a master list containing total number of bundles being turned in by his organization, and showing the Name, Rank, and ASN of each individual in the unit who has turned in laundry. Also, the representative will have amount of Francs due for the service, at 25 Francs per bundle.
2. Only 15 pieces of laundry will be sent in each bundle: (1 pr. of socks counts as one piece). The bundle must contain a laundry list with the Name, Rank, and ASN, and, complete list of each item: (Please print).
3. Any unit using this service will report with Laundry, Francs, and Master Roster to the First Tactical Air Force (Provisional) Motor Pool by 0900, Friday, 3 November 1944, and every Friday thereafter, where it will be loaded on vehicles to make the trip. The laundry is picked up the following week.
4. Any claims for loss after delivery will be a matter of adjustment between the Unit Commander and the laundry.

OFFICERS' DRY CLEANING

1. Officers' woolen clothing will be sent to Lyon with the laundry run. A Master Roster of Organization, plus Francs will be available.
2. The bundle will have a cleaning list containing Name, Rank, and ASN, and, list of articles.

The following prices will prevail:

Shirts, Wool, OD	18 Francs
Trousers, Wool, OD	28 Francs
Cap, Garrison	7 Francs
Necktie	6 Francs
Jacket, Field	35 Francs
Blouse, Wool, OD	30 Francs
Overcoat, Wool	60 Francs

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3. This firm will clean 100 pieces in 4 days.

By command of Brigadier General ROYCE:

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385th Sig Co Avn
322nd Sig Co Wing
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

APO 374, U S Army
1 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Sections.

OPERATIONAL MESSAGE PROCEDURE

1. This procedure outlines the method of handling operational messages destined for, or originated by Deputy Commander for Operations, Assistant Chief of Staff A-2, Assistant Chief of Staff A-3, and Director of Communications this headquarters. The procedure for the handling of administrative messages is covered in Unnumbered Memorandum this headquarters, Subject: "Preparation of Messages" dated 27 October 1944.

2. Procedure on messages originating from this headquarters when message pertains to an operational matter:

a. Message will be prepared on the message form supplied by the Adjutant General's Office.

b. The precedence and classification will be typed over the words on the form so that they will appear on all copies.

c. Message form will be used for original only. As many carbon copies will be made as desired on letter sized plain paper except that original and one (1) carbon copy will be sent direct to Message Center. If the originator desires to retain a receipted copy of message the original and two (2) carbon copies will be submitted to the Message Center. In this instance the carbon copy will be immediately returned showing time received in the Message Center.

d. After transmission of a message the original of message will be returned to the originator with the time of receipt by the distant operator indicated.

e. "Top Secret" operational messages will be prepared on same form and in same method except that messages will be delivered direct to Message Center under cover of a folder or envelope.

3. "Incoming" operational messages of all classifications will be delivered by the Message Center directly to the authorized operational section concerned.

4. Sections included in par. 1, above, will number their operational messages as follows:

Deputy Commanding General	
for Operations	= AO-5001 to AO-5500 inclusive
A-2	= D-5501 to D-7000 inclusive
A-3	= E-7001 to E-9000 inclusive
Director of Communications	= J-9001 to J-10000 inclusive

When the last number indicated has been used, repeat the same series. (Numbers 1-5000 inclusive have been reserved for AG-Cable Section's use in numbering administrative messages from all sections, the code letter indicating section of origin.)

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

J. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD.,
Adjutant General.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

APO 374, U S Army
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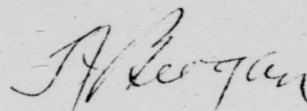
MEMORANDUM)

TO) All Units and all Personnel, First Tactical Air Force
(Prov).

ASSIGNMENT OF APO NUMBER

1. The APO of this headquarters and all units attached to First Tactical Air Force (Prov) is APO 374, c/o Postmaster, New York City, New York.
2. This rescinds instructions published in unnumbered memorandum, this headquarters, subject: "Personal and Official Mail Address", dated 29 October 1944, pertaining to personnel of this headquarters only.
3. All personnel and all units of First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and all units attached thereto will take immediate steps to notify all their personal and official correspondents of this change of address. (USSTAF Regulation Number 80-2, 26 October 1944)

By command of Major General ROYCE:



T. J. BROGAN
Colonel AGD
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of Executive for Operations

AGO 374, U S Army
2 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : See Distribution.

Procedure for Handling Operational Messages

1. All operational messages arriving between 0800 and 1800 hours will be delivered directly to the office of Executive for Operations in Room 108. This office will make proper distribution to sections concerned.

2. All operational messages arriving between 1800 and 0800 hours will be delivered directly to Combat Operations Section A-3 Room 112. This office will make proper distribution to all sections concerned.

3. In the event a non-operational message is delivered to offices designated in Par. 1 and 2 it will be returned promptly to the Duty Officer in Signal Message Center Ext. 11 for distribution through administrative channels.

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C. E. CRUMRINE, *ccr.*
Colonel GSC,
Executive for Operations.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND (PROV)

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APO 374, U.S. Army,
7 November 1944.

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MEMORANDUM:

TO : See Distribution.

1. The 86th Air Depot Group will furnish supply and maintenance to the following units:

- a. 310th Service Group.
- b. 312th Service Group.
- c. 83rd Service Group.
- d. 322nd Signal Company Wing.
- e. 385th Signal Service Company (Avn).

By command of Brigadier General LANGMEAD:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel., AGD,
Adjutant General.

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**HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Commandant**

APO 374, U.S. Army,
8 November 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

To systematize the organization of this Headquarters, the following assignments are hereby made:

1. CUSTODIANS

- a. Hotel Nouvel - Sq Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF
- b. Hotel Providence - CO, 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn)
- c. Central Hotel - CO, 322nd Sig Co Wg
- d. Hotel Thermes - Adjutant to Hq Comdt
- e. Hotel Fougères - Senior Billeted Officer
- f. Hotel Lorraine - Adjutant to Hq Comdt
- g. Villa Fees - Sq Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF
- h. Villa Felice - Senior Billeted Officer
- i. Villa Finck - CO, WAC Det
- j. Villa Mamounia - Adjutant to Hq Comdt
- k. Villa Marie Therese (7 rooms) - Senior Billeted Officer
- l. Villa Pasteur - CO, WAC Det
- m. Villa Paquerette - Commanding General
- n. Theatre - Special Service Officer
- o. Cafe Terminus (NCO Club) - Capt Van Slochteren
(Sponsor)

2. POLICE

The police of ways and areas surrounding each building shall be the responsibility of the custodian thereof, except that the police of the areas surrounding buildings of which the Adjutant to the Hq Comdt is custodian, shall be the duty of the Squadron Commander of the Hq & Hq Sq and the police of areas surrounding buildings of which the Commanding Officer of the WAC Detachment is custodian, shall be the duty of the Commanding Officer of the 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn). Police of the Communications Area in rear of Hotel Thermes shall be the responsibility of the Signal Section, this Headquarters. Police of all buildings is the responsibility of the custodian except in the Headquarters Building the police of the several sections shall be the responsibility of the Section Chiefs.

3. SUPPLY

The supply of fuel, cleaning materials and other necessary items for the several buildings shall be the duty of the Commanding Officers as follows:

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a. Squadron Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF - Headquarters and all other buildings in which officers or enlisted men of the Hq & Hq Sq or this Headquarters are billeted.

b. Commanding Officer, 385th Sig Serv Co Avn - All buildings occupied by this Company or the WAC Detachment.

c. Commanding Officer, 322nd Sig Co Wg - All buildings occupied by this Company.

d. All supply of equipment, office furniture and office supply for the Staff Sections is the duty of the Squadron Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF.

4. TRASH RUNS

Trash runs will be established for the entire Headquarters and attached units by the Squadron Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF. Runs will be set up at 0900 hours and 1500 hours daily and at such other times as may be necessary.

5. GUARD

Until Military Police are assigned, the Guard will be established by the Security Section of the Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF. Posts will be set up as already established by this Headquarters. The Duty Officer of the Headquarters Commandant Office shall act as Officer of the Guard until such time as a Military Police Company is assigned to the Headquarters.

6. BLACKOUT

The provisions for blackout and the enforcement thereof is the duty of the Commanding Officer of the several organizations, except that in Headquarters such provisions are the duty of the several Section Chiefs.

7. MAINTENANCE

The maintenance of the several buildings and the care of the French personal property therein is the duty of the custodians of said buildings.

8. MESS

Troops within the Headquarters will mess as follows:

a. Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF - Mess in Hotel Nouvel under control of the Squadron Commander, Hq & Hq Sq, 1st TAF. In addition, this mess will serve Det KK 21st Wea Sq, Det KK 40th Mobile Com Sq and all casual enlisted personnel. The Squadron Commander, Hq & Hq Sq may call on the detachments for a pro rata share of the kitchen police.

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b. 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn) - Mess in Hotel Providence under control of the Commanding Officer, 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn). In addition, this mess will serve the WAC Det and any and all enlisted female personnel of the allied forces. No provisions for additional kitchen police are made as WAC Det is assigned to this Company, but if additional female personnel is attached thereto, kitchen police on a pro rata basis may be drawn therefrom.

c. 322nd Sig Co Wg - Mess in Central Hotel under control of the Commanding Officer, 322nd Sig Co Wg. In addition, this mess will serve the Finance Det, Postal Unit, French enlisted personnel (if the latter two units are attached or assigned) and such additional troops as may be billeted in the Central Hotel. The Commanding Officer of the 322nd Sig Co Wg may call on these units for the detail of kitchen police on a pro rata basis.

d. Officer's Mess - Mess in Hotel Thermes under control of the Headquarters Commandant. This mess will serve all assigned, attached and visiting officers of this Headquarters. Officer's Mess personnel will be detailed from the Hq & Hq Sq and shall serve under the Officer's Mess Officer.

9. BILLETING

a. Billets for the enlisted personnel of the several units of the Headquarters will be assigned in bulk by the Headquarters Commandant. The detailed billeting of the personnel will be the function of the unit commanders.

b. Troops billeted in a building or area of which the Commanding Officer of another unit is custodian will be subject to his instructions on the question of police, blackout and the use of common space.

c. Billets for officers will be assigned by the Billeting Officer, Headquarters Commandant Office. The police and care of the billet, together with the responsibility for personal property, thereafter shall be the duty of the officer billeted.

10. MOTOR POOLS

Two motor pools shall be maintained and operated according to the provisions of a Transportation Memo of even date herewith. The first pool shall contain all vehicles of the 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn), 322nd Sig Co Wg and any and all other Signal Units assigned or attached to the Headquarters. The second pool shall contain all vehicles of Headquarters Squadron together with the vehicles of all other units assigned or attached to this Headquarters except Signal Units provided for above.

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16. WORK ORDERS

All requests for details or work, other than that which shall be cared for by the Section or Organization, shall be made on a "Buck Slip" standard to this Air Force. The order will give (1) The nature and amount of work (2) location (3) time desired and (4) name of Section Chief ordering. Such requests will be filed at the Headquarters Commandant Office before 1600 hours of the day prior to that on which the work is desired and will be given priority on time of filing except in emergencies. All routine work is the duty of each section or organization. Supply for such work should be requisitioned from the several squadrons or companies.

17. INSPECTIONS

"That which is not inspected is neglected". All billets, offices, messes, areas and other installations will be ready for inspection by 1000 hours daily and will be inspected by the duty officers of the several units at that time. Formal inspections will be made by each unit at 1000 hours each Saturday at certain of which this office will cooperate.

18. WORK CALL

All units shall hold a work call at 0745 hours each day at which a report shall be taken and an inspection for uniform cleanliness and shaves shall be made.

19. SCHEDULE OF CALLS

1st Call	- 0615
Reveille	- 0620
Mess	- 0630 (to 0730)
Work Call	- 0745
Mess	- 1130 (to 1300)
Mess	- 1730 (to 1830)
Recall	- 1750
Retreat	- 1800
Tattoo	- 2100
Taps	- 2300

20. GENERAL

- All doors in billets should remain unlocked.
- Receptacles for cigarettes and the like should be placed in convenient locations.
- Containers for trash should be provided and emptied at regular intervals.

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d. This is a combat area. All supplies should be conserved.

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JAMES W. FLETT,
Lt. Col., A. C.,
Hq Commandant.

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Incl 2 - Guard Orders
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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APO 374, U.S. Army,
8 November 1944.

MEMORANDUM)

TO) All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

1. In setting up the Motor Transportation for this Headquarters two motor pools shall be maintained: (1) The first pool shall contain all vehicles of the 385th Signal Serv Co (Avn), 322nd Signal Co Wg and any and all other signal units assigned or attached to the Headquarters. This pool shall be under the control of a Motor Transportation Officer appointed by Commanding Officer of 385th Sig Serv Co (Avn). (2) The second pool shall contain all vehicles of Headquarters Squadron, together with the vehicles of all other units assigned or attached to this Headquarters except Signal Units provided for above. This pool shall be under the control of a Motor Transportation Officer appointed by this Headquarters. The following rules should apply to both pools:

a. All vehicles except special purpose vehicles are to be parked in the Headquarters Pool.

b. No vehicle will leave the pool unless officially dispatched on a WD Form 48 (Trip Ticket) properly filled in, except cars of a General Officer which shall have a trip ticket indorsed "as directed".

c. Vehicles will only be dispatched on a transportation request signed by the requesting officer, approved by his division chief, which gives the destination, time of departure, number of passengers and approximate time of return.

d. Vehicles will not be dispatched on over night runs unless covered by Letter Orders or approved by the Headquarters Commandant.

e. No officer will drive a vehicle except in emergencies covered by regulations.

f. No vehicle, other than special purpose vehicles, will be parked anywhere except in the established motor pools while at this station.

g. All questions on priorities of assignment will be left with the Transportation Officer. Appeal from his decision rests with the Headquarters Commandant.

h. All drivers will keep regular duty hours at the pool except when on runs.

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i. Alert dispatcher and drivers will be on duty at all times.

j. Instructions and regulations for drivers will be set up by the Transportation Officer.

k. Gasoline, oil and supplies will be issued directly to vehicles and a record card will be maintained for each vehicle showing, mileage, service, repairs and oil, gasoline and other expendables issued to it.

l. All trip tickets, dispatch sheets and maintenance cards will be kept on file in the dispatchers office and will only be destroyed if authorized by the Headquarters Commandant.

m. There will be a Truck Master under the Transportation Officer who will set up section chiefs as follows:

1. Dispatcher (In charge of dispatching and records)
2. Supply Clerk (In charge of all supply)
3. Chief Mechanic (In charge of repair & maintenance)
4. Assistant Truck Master (In charge of all drivers and operation of vehicles)

2. Traffic regulations set forth in Memorandum No 2, Area Headquarters, Office of the Area Commander, APO 23, U.S. Army, dated 1 November 1944, heretofore distributed, will govern our vehicles in this area.

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James W. Flett
JAMES W. FLETT,
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1. The Guard will be governed by the following:
 - a. Interior Guard duty conducted in accordance with FM 26 - 5.
 - b. The Guard will consist of the following:
 - (1) One Officer of the Day. (Appointed by the Hq Comdt)
 - (2) One Officer of the Guard (appointed by Hq Comdt)
 - (3) Three Sergeants of the Guard -- Permanent.
 - (4) Three Corporals of the Guard -- Permanent.
 - (5) Thirty Privates of the Guard -- Permanent.
2. Duties of the Officer of the Day.
 - a. The duties of the Officer of the Day and Officer of the Guard as prescribed in FM 26-5.
3. Duties of the Sergeant of the Guard.
 - a. He will cause all members of the Guard to report ten (10) minutes before going on duty.
 - b. He is responsible to the Officer of the Guard for the personnel of the Guard and that all orders, Special and General, are thoroughly understood and executed by all members of the Guard.
 - c. He will inspect each sentry before going on duty.
 - d. He will submit a written report at the end of his tour of duty.
 - e. He is responsible for all equipment in the Guard Room.
4. Duties of the Corporal of the Guard.
 - a. He will, when posting the relief, check the ammunition of each post. The sentry is responsible for his own ammunition.
 - b. He will check the outside of the buildings for black-out violations and report them to the Sergeant of the Guard. He will report the room number to the Sgt of the Guard.
 - c. He will inspect the Sentinels at least once each half-hour.
 - d. He will report all violations of his orders to the Sergeant of the Guard.
5. Arms, Uniform, and Equipment of the Guard
 - a. Each sentinel will be armed with his own weapon and will carry three loaded clips. The sentry will be armed with a .45 cal Automatic Pistol. The sentry on Post No 9 will not wear a helmet or liner.
 - b. The Sergeant and Corporal of the Guard will be armed with a cal. 45 Automatic Pistol.
 - c. Uniform of the Guard.
 - (1) O.D. trousers and shirt, web belt and ammunition pouch,

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first aid kit, leggings, helmet or liner, and jacket or rain coat.

(2) Gas mask will be available on the Post.

6. Special Orders of all Guard Posts.

a. Post No 1.

- (1) My post is no 1 extending along the entire north side of the Central Hotel.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to enter the area through my post or to remove any equipment from the building.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Corporal of the Guard.
- (4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my post.

b. Post No 2.

- (1) My post is No 2 extending from the entrance of the WAC Quarters to the Thermes Hotel.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to enter the area through my post.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.
- (4) Male personnel may visit WAC personnel in WAC day room in WAC building until 2245 hours. Any man caught leaving WAC quarters after 2245 hours, his name, rank and serial number and outfit will be taken by the Guard.
- (5) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my Post.

c. Post No 3.

- (1) My post is No 3 at the main entrance to the Thermes Hotel.
- (2) I will be sure that all persons, whom I do not recognize, report to the Information Desk.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.
- (4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my post.
- (5) There will be no loitering on my post.
- (6) No vehicle will park in front of Thermes Hotel other than General Staff's Cars. All others will be requested to park at the Motor Pool.

d. Post No 4.

- (1) My post is No 4 in the court-yard on the east side of the Thermes Hotel.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to tamper with any of the equipment on my post.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.

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(4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my post.

c. Post No 5.

- (1) My post is No 5 extending from the rear entrance of the Thermes Hotel to the Central Hotel.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to enter the area through my post.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.
- (4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300 I will challenge all persons on my post.
- (5) Male personnel may visit WAC personnel in WAC day room in WAC building until 2245 hours. Any man caught leaving WAC quarters after 2245 hours, his name, rank and serial number and outfit will be taken by the Guard.

f. Post No 6.

- (1) My post is No 6 extending from Chatillon Avenue along south side of the Nouvel Hotel to the Moss Hall door on the east side.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to tamper with any of the equipment on my post.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.
- (4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my post.

g. Post No 7.

- (1) My post is No 7 in front of entrance of the Nouvel Hotel.
- (2) I will allow no unauthorized persons to enter the area through my post.
- (3) I will report all black-out violations to the Cpl of the Guard.
- (4) Before the hours of 2300, I will challenge only suspicious looking persons. After the hours of 2300 I will challenge all persons on my post.
- (5) No vehicles are to be parked around the Nouvel Hotel. Staff Cars included, unless there is an Officer. Drivers will be requested to take their vehicle to the Motor Pool.

h. Post No 8.

- (1) My post is post No 8 covering the entire motor pool.
- (2) I will challenge all suspicious persons. After the hours of 2300, I will challenge all persons on my post.

i. Post No 9.

- (1) My post is post number 9. It is the Information

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Desk in the lobby of the Hotel Thermes.

(2) Any time the Commanding General enters the lobby, I will call to attention all military personnel in the lobby.

(3) To see that the Officer's register is properly kept.

(4) To challenge all persons that I don't recognize.

(5) To assist all visiting persons in all ways possible, without leaving the information desk. If necessary, a runner will be called from the Commandant's Office.

Incl No 2

James W. Flett
JAMES W. FLETT,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Hq Commandant.

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OFFICER OF THE DAY DAILY REPORT

To be completed and handed to the Headquarters Adjutant by 1130 hours.

1. I relieved _____ at 1130 hours on _____ 19____. There were _____ prisoners in the Guard Room. I inspected them and there were _____ complaints. (See remarks). Guard room (was) (was not) clean and in a sanitary condition.

2. I inspected the enlisted men's mess, Hq & Hq Sq., First Tactical Air Force during the _____, meal. The meal (was) (was not) in accordance with published menu. There were _____ complaints which were dealt with (See remarks).

3. I inspected the enlisted men's mess, 322nd Signal Company during the _____ meal. The meal (was) (was not) in accordance with published menu. There were _____ complaints which were dealt with. (See remarks).

4. I inspected the enlisted men's mess, 385th Signal Company during the _____ meal. The meal (was) (was not) in accordance with published menu. There were _____ complaints which were dealt with. (See remarks).

5. I inspected the Guard at _____ hours, _____ hours, and _____ hours. I signed the Guard Report as well as read all Standing Orders. Discrepancies noted. (See remarks).

6. I inspected all offices in Headquarters building at _____ hours and found the safes and filing cabinets locked. There were _____ files left open. (See remarks for locations).

7. I inspected the Motor Pool at _____ hours (between 2300 and 0300 hours) and found that all transportation was present or accounted for with the exceptions _____ which were absent and no trip ticket had been issued for same. I also visited dispersal parks and found motor transportation equipment dispersed with accordance to existing regulations.

8. NCO in charge of the Guard reported blackout correct at _____ hours. I checked on this at _____ hours and found the following discrepancies. (See remarks).

9. I instructed entrance guard at Headquarters to receive new arrivals and have them conducted to the office of the Headquarters Commandant.

10. I handed over to _____ all Standing Orders, Guard Book, and other pertinent papers pertaining to my tour of duty as Officer of the Day at 1130 hours, on _____ 19____.

11. REMARKS:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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9 November 1944

SUBJECT: Preparation of Correspondence.

TO : All Staff Sections, this headquarters.

1. Correspondence will be prepared by the section in which it originates. All letters and indorsements will be prepared in ~~five~~ copies - original and four carbon copies. In cases where applicable regulations require more than five copies, those regulations will be followed.

2. Numbered memorandums will be issued as necessary, using the AAF index. Memorandum numbers and phrasing of titles will be furnished by the Adjutant General (Publications Section) on request. Stencils will be prepared by the originating section after draft has been approved by appropriate staff section heads concerned and the Adjutant General.

3. Administrative correspondence addressed to a higher headquarters, or of a policy-forming nature to any headquarters, and not signed by the Commanding General personally, will be prepared for the signature of:

T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

4. Routine correspondence to lower units will be prepared for the signature of:

THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj General

5. Correspondence to a higher headquarters will be closed:

"For the Commanding General:"

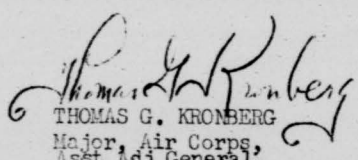
6. Correspondence to lower units will be closed:

"By command of Major General ROYCE:"

7. Correspondence code symbols will be typed in the upper right hand corner, and will consist of: Letter assigned to staff section, dash, first letter of last name of officer originating the correspondence, dash, clerk-typist's number; example: G-B-3. Clerks will be assigned a number by section head and lists furnished to the Adjutant General. All letters of the identifying symbol will be in capitals.

8. The heading, form, etc., of this letter may be used as a model for all correspondence of this headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:


THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adj General.

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9 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

1. Effective 10 November 1944, Courier Service will be established between this Headquarters, and Headquarters Sixth Army Group, for the purpose of transporting personnel on official business.

2. The following schedule will be in effect until further notice:

<u>DEPARTURE FROM THIS HQ</u>	<u>DEPARTURE FROM HQ SIXTH ARMY GP</u>
0900 hours	0915 hours
1000	1015
1100	1115
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By order of Lt Col FLETT:

Charles B. Palmer
CHARLES B. PALMER
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11 November 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

1. The following instructions apply in case of Air Attack:
 - a. Reliefs of the Guard not on Post will mobilize in the Guard Room.
 - b. Personnel of the Staff Sections, so designated by the Sections, will report to the Sections at once.
 - c. All communications personnel, on duty, will remain at their stations.
 - d. Alert details and Rescue Parties of each organization will stand by for action.
 - e. Medical personnel will stand by in the Squadron Dispensary.
 - f. All personnel of the Headquarters Commandant Office will report to their stations and shall constitute Battle Headquarters.
 - g. Runners from the several organizations will report to the Headquarters Commandant Office.
 - h. No use shall be made of communications except operational or in connection with the attack.
 - i. Officers will take such stations as may be designated by their Section Chiefs.
 - j. All personnel other than that heretofore specified will assemble on the second floor (2nd floor American - Premier Etage French) of the several hotels.

By Order of Lt. Col. FLETT:

Charles B. Palmer
CHARLES B. PALMER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PAFV)

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15 November 1944

STAFF MEMORANDUM

TO : All Concerned

1. Each day at 1700 hours there will be a meeting of the chiefs of the principal staff sections with the Commanding General in the War Room. In the event that the head of a staff section is unable to attend the meeting, the next ranking officer will attend. These meetings will be brief and in view of the security considerations involved, access will be restricted after the arrival of the Commanding General. Officers whose duties prevent attendance at the scheduled hour can arrange for a later briefing at a convenient hour.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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1. The following is a list of the officers who
will attend the daily briefing at 1700 hours in the
War Room:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Section</u>
RALPH ROYCE	Maj. Gen. Commanding Gen.
EDMUND C. LANGHEAD	Brig. Gen. D/C for Admin.
NED SCHRAMM	Brig. Gen. D/C for Ops
T. J. BROGAN	Colonel Adjutant General
CLARENCE E. GRUMRINE	Colonel Exec to D/C Ops
RALPH E. FISHER	Colonel A-3
T. J. MCCOY	Colonel Grd Lia O, Ops
DACHE M. RIEVES	Colonel Plans
JOHN M. REYNOLDS	Colonel A-4
BENJAMIN STERN	Colonel Communications
C. P. VANSANT	Colonel Ordnance
J. S. WHEATON	Colonel A-1
CHARLES A. YOUNG	Colonel A-2
G.M.C. de CHASSEY	Lt. Colonel D/C/S, Lia.
R. DUHAZE	Lt. Colonel Lia O, A-2
RUSSELL L. PUTMAN	Lt. Colonel C/S
HAROLD I. LEYSHON	Major PRO

2. If any of the above officers are unable to

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Daily briefing at 1700 hrs, con'td, 22 Nov 44.

attend the daily briefing, they may appoint a representative to attend for them.

By command of Major General RALPH ROYCE:

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt. Colonel, A. C.
Chief of Staff

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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15 November 1944

STAFF MEMORANDUM

TO : All Concerned

1. Each day at 1700 hours there will be a meeting of the chiefs of the principal staff sections with the Commanding General in the War Room. In the event that the head of a staff section is unable to attend the meeting, the next ranking officer will attend. These meetings will be brief and in view of the security considerations involved, access will be restricted after the arrival of the Commanding General. Officers whose duties prevent attendance at the scheduled hour can arrange for a later briefing at a convenient hour.

By command of Major General FOYCE:

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HEADQUARTERS COMMAND
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Commandant
APO 374

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16 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

1. Effective 17 November 1944, wood will be issued to each section, this Headquarters, in the basement of the Hotel Thermes between the hours of 0800 to 1000 and 1500 to 1700 daily.

2. Wood will be issued on the basis of ten (10) pieces of wood per stove per day. An extra ten pieces of wood will be issued for the stoves of personnel working twenty-four hours. Sections failing to draw wood daily will forfeit their allotment for that day.

3. Officers billeted in the Hotel Thermes will draw their wood in accordance with the above instructions and on the same basis.

4. Request each section furnish this office a list of stoves that are to be used twenty-four hours.

For the Commandant:

Charles B. Palmer
CHARLES B. PALMER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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16 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

All pilots, this headquarters, will read, sign, and comply with the following:

1. Weather permitting, no flying will be done over this city in any type airplane at less than 1000 feet above ground. No "buzzing" of the city or environs will be done in any type airplanes.
2. There are numerous casualties in hospital in this city whose cure and convalescence are seriously affected by violation of the above restriction.

By command of Major General:

T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM)

18 November 1944

TO) AG Officers concerned.

The AG Cable officer who is on duty until 2100 hours daily
will also act as AG Staff Duty officer. All previous rosters
are hereby cancelled.

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst. Adjutant General

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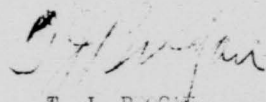
21 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Section Heads
All Sections, this Headquarters

TOP SECRET CONTROL

1. Major Thomas G Kronberg, 0265678, is detailed as TOP SECRET CONTROLLER for this headquarters.
2. All outgoing TOP SECRET messages and correspondence originating in this headquarters will be delivered to the above officer by the TOP SECRET Officer of the section concerned, and he will see that they **are properly** recorded and dispatched.
3. All incoming TOP SECRET messages and correspondence received during normal office hours will be promptly delivered to the above officer by the receiving agency. Those received during off-duty hours will be delivered to the Duty Officer in room 112, who will determine the necessity for further action. If no immediate action is necessary the Duty Officer will take custody of the message, or correspondence, delivering it to the Top-Secret Controller at 0800. If immediate action is indicated, the Duty Officer will deliver one copy of the message to the interested party, taking a hand-receipt for same. This receipt will be delivered to the TOP SECRET CONTROLLER at 0800 hrs next morning, in lieu of the message, or correspondence.
4. Enlisted personnel will not handle delivery of, or take custody of, TOP SECRET documents.

By command of Major General ROYCE:


T. J. BACON,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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22 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Section Heads
All Sections, this Headquarters

TOP SECRET CONTROL

1. Major Thomas G Kronberg, 0285678, is announced as TOP SECRET CONTROLLER for this headquarters.
2. All outgoing TOP SECRET messages, and correspondence, originating in this headquarters will be delivered to the above officer by the TOP SECRET Officer of the section concerned, and he will see that they are properly recorded and dispatched.
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By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGC,
Adjutant General

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TOP SECRET CONTROL PROCEDURE

1. A headquarters Top-Secret Controller, will be designated by each unit commander down to and including groups. His duties will be as follows:

a. To receive all Top Secret communications, maintain a record thereon and insure that such communications are delivered by an officer to the Top-Secret Officer of the section concerned and that receipts are secured and properly filed. (See par. 2)

b. To properly dispatch all outgoing Top Secret communications and keep records on the same.

c. To provide a safe for keeping of any Top Secret communications that may be held in the office of the Top Secret Controller.

2. Each headquarters section will have a Top Secret officer designated. His duties will be as follows:

a. To receive, record, and deliver to the interested officer in the section all Top Secret communications coming into his section.

b. To receive, record, and deliver to Top Secret Controller all Top Secret communications originating in his section.

c. To be responsible at all times for all Top Secret communications being held in his section, having in his possession either the communication or a proper receipt from any other officer of his section who may need the communication for official use.

d. To see that such communications being held by him are properly safeguarded.

3. Enlisted personnel will not handle any Top Secret communications at any time except as necessary for typing or other preparation for use.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

OFFICIAL:

T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

RUSSELL L. PUTMAN
Lt Col, Air Corps
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24 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Section Heads, All Sections, this Headquarters.

The short title of this headquarters is:

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Not 1ST TAF

This short title will be used wherever such use is appropriate. Otherwise, the title will be written in full, as shown in the heading of this memorandum.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM)

23 November 1944

TO :) All Section, this headquarters.

It is requested that stencils, prepared for the Adjutant General's signature, be typed with a carbon paper cushion sheet inserted behind the stencil so that the stencil can be read by the carbon impression left on the cardboard backing.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
Capt, Air Corps,
Actg Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Surgeon
APO 374

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24 November 1944

MEMORANDUM: Central Medical Examining Board.

TO : Adjutant General; Director of Personnel.

1. The following information is furnished at the request of the Office of the Director of Personnel.

2. When individuals are ordered to appear before a Central Medical Examining Board, full medical records and other pertinent military information concerning the individual will be forwarded to the president of the board by the unit Commander or flight surgeon concerned (AAF Reg. 35-16, Section IV, par. 15 d, July 1944.)

3. The following records should be included:

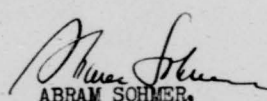
- a. Copies of orders to appear before the Central Medical Examining Board.
- b. Letter from unit flight surgeon containing case history in detail.
- c. Abstract of previous hospitalization if available.
- d. Statement from Commanding Officer expressing his opinion as to the flying stress suffered by the individual concern, including combat hours, trying experiences, etc.
- e. WD, AGO Form No. 64 file.
- f. WD, AGO Form No. 5 file
- g. WD, AGO Form No. 66-1 or 66-2 in the case of officers.
- h. WD, AGO Form No. 24 (Service Record) in the case of enlisted men.

4. To insure the availability of records to the Central Medical Examining Board upon the arrival of the individual it is recommended that they be carried by him in a sealed container.

5. It should be emphasized that with the exceptions listed in Section IV, par. 15, AAF Reg. 35-16, July 1944, only questionable or controversial cases be referred to the Central Medical Examining Board. Removal from flying status for physical disability may be initiated locally by unit flight surgeons, and cases where physical or psychological disability do not exist should be referred to the local Flying Evaluation Board.

6. Finally, the findings of the Central Medical Examining Board are not binding; its function is advisory.

For the Surgeon:


ABRAM SOHIER,
Lt. Col, MC,
Executive.

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24 November 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: D/C Ops
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Dir of Comm.

Messenger service is now available to Western French Forces.
Communications delivered to the Adjutant General's Section prior to
noon will be delivered to Western French Forces by 0630 the next day.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION SLIP

DATE 23 Nov. 1944

FROM: Hq. Signal Officer

TO: A. G.

FOR:

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✓	YOUR FILE

RETURN TO:

REMARKS:

We have arranged
for these facilities to be
at our disposal.

Major Goodwin
Assist Hq. Sig O.

Sgt Robbins:

We will utilize
this service.

Try to have any
mail for the WFF in
the AG Sec, 6th AG by
12 noon each day.

Capt Wilson

(Pass to Col Brogan)
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Memo to:

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Dir of Comm.

Message Success is now

waiting to W.F.F.

Attention is directed to AG

Section from to 2:00 PM

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HEADQUARTERS SIXTH ARMY GROUP
APO 23, U. S. ARMY

STAFF MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 34)

19 November 1944.

MESSENGER SERVICE TO WESTERN FRENCH FORCES

1. Messenger service between this headquarters and Western French Forces will operate daily commencing 20 November 1944.

2. All official mail for Western French Forces, 8th Signal Center Team and 5th Signal Center Team must be in the Mail and Distribution Branch of the Adjutant General's Office by 1300 hours daily. Mail will arrive at destination at 0630 hours the following day.

3. The return trip will leave Headquarters, Western French Forces at 1400 hours and arrive at this headquarters at 0630 hours the following day.

(AG 311.4/1-0)

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

J. L. Tarr
J. L. TARR,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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25 November 1944

MEMORANDUM: All Officers, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

It is the policy of this headquarters that no personnel (commissioned or enlisted), assigned or attached thereto, may be billeted in private billets, but will be billeted by the Headquarters Commandant. This is published for the information and guidance of all concerned.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Blum
T. J. Blum,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

25 November 1944

T/S MEMO #XXX: All Officers, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

It is the policy of this headquarters that no personnel (commissioned or enlisted), assigned or attached thereto, may be billeted in private billets, but will be billeted by the Headquarters Commandant. This is published for the information and guidance of all concerned.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGO,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

G-B-6

26 November 1944

SUBJECT: Correction of Troop Conditions in Rear Areas.

TO : CG-S and CC-S; All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. The following memorandum has been received from General Eisenhower:

"A considerable amount of evidence has come to me that we are failing to see that policies affecting recreation, rest and comfort of the individual are applied fairly with respect to all and are not careful to provide for troops outside the battle line the maximum of accommodations that are practicable under existing circumstances.

This applies to such matters as billets for resting of troops, to conditions of sanitation and convenience while travelling by motor, train or ship, and, above all, it applies to equality of the treatment between officers and enlisted men. Care, foresight and vigilant supervision are indicated and I look to all commanders to give this matter the personal and the staff attention that it deserves.

Among the complaints that have been received certain ones are obviously based on mis-information and all that we can do in such cases is to keep all units acquainted with the actual facts. In others, however, there is definite room for improvement and such improvement must be initiated at once. Sample complaints are as follows:

"Officers receive rations of whiskey and enlisted men don't."

"Enlisted men are not permitted to get leave even where higher authority has given permission. Unit commanders disapprove leave for enlisted men but give it to officers freely."

"When enlisted men are out of the battle line they are given no opportunity to see any of the country over which they have been fighting, but officers travel everywhere without restraint and in government transportation."

"Post exchange supplies are frequently reserved for officers; at least the officers get first opportunity to buy and enlisted men get only what is left."

"In rear echelons PX have many supplies. At the front they do not have any."

"Prisoners of war receive no issue uniforms but fighting men have to use reclaimed stuff."

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"Prisoners of war receive better food than anyone else. They throw orange peels at civilians working for us on the docks."

"Officers can get whiskey rations at the front but the men can't even get cigarettes."

"Food in hospitals is often badly prepared."

"On board transports thousands of men are jammed into a small space while officers and nurses have the advantage of large deck space."

"Officers' food is much better than the men's."

"The Navy gets the equipment, the Marines get the glory, the soldier gets very little."

I have personally noted troops making bivouac along the roads in France where it would have seemed that, with a bit of care and foresight, shelter could have been provided for the night. I have seen truckloads of men travelling in the rain without the benefit of the top covers on the trucks.

There are many methods for attacking these important problems and different ones will occur to various commanders. There are certain things, however, that can be done universally and should be immediately applied.

- a. Through the use of Inspector Generals and special Inspectors care must be taken that privileges given to officers in any unit must be available in proper proportion to enlisted men. For example, if conditions are such that a unit finds it possible to provide a jeep, a command car, or any similar conveyance to carry officers on recreational trips, this should never be done unless it can also provide something in which a proper proportion of enlisted men can be given a similar privilege.
- b. Leave and furlough policies must be applied with absolute fairness.
- c. Care must be taken with the messes to see that food is hot and well served.
- d. Under existing orders all liquor of every kind captured by the American forces and that previously belonged to the Germans, passes to the Commanding General, Communications Zone. He has been authorized to issue, without cost, from these supplies, but such issues must be on a basis where the enlisted man receives exactly as much as any officer.

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Hard liquors, such as cognacs and whiskies, are not to be issued except through the Medical Department.

I desire that General Officers frequently make trips by road rather than by airplane. Moreover, in doing so each should often cover the stars on his car so he does not get preferential treatment in passing on a road. In this way can General officers find out for themselves what conditions actually are and so take proper steps for correction of defects.

In addition, when there is no cause for hurry, General Officers should occasionally be transported across the ocean by ship, so that we may have first hand reports of conditions.

Defects noted should be corrected on the spot or, if the particular officer has no authority in the premises, he should make a specific report to the appropriate authority. It is necessary that men are convinced of the good faith of their officers in these matters.

Officers must invariably place the care and welfare of their men above their own creature comfort and convenience.

Coincidentally with efforts to improve all these conditions, it is important also that officers pay attention to the conduct of our troops in their relationships with citizens of liberated countries. Education, supervision and constant watchfulness must be employed to protect the good name of the American Army. The increasing number of reports of violations in this regard is disturbing.

DAUGHT D. EISENHOWER."

2. The above is forwarded for your information and guidance.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Hogan
T. J. HOGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

J-8-1g

30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM :

TO : All Staff Sections.

TELEPHONE PRIORITIES

1. The following two types of telephone priorities will be used at this headquarters for long distance calls:

- a. "Clear the Line"
- b. "Operational Priority"

2. "Clear the Line" Priority:

a. This priority is for use on First Tactical Air Force circuits by General Officers on matters of a very urgent nature only and takes precedence over all other telephone calls originating at this headquarters.

b. Only the following individuals of this headquarters are authorized to make "Clear the Line" calls. Calls must be made from the telephones listed.

- (1) The Commanding General (Ext. 6)
- (2) The Deputy Commander for Operations (Ext. 106)
- (3) The Deputy Commander for Administration (Ext. 206)

c. Procedure to place a "Clear the Line" call is substantially as follows:

- (1) Signal the switchboard operator - as for "Long Distance State - This is a 'Clear the Line' call for General []"
- (2) Get no Gangway Advance, General []

d. The operator will complete the call to destination, disregarding all other signals on his switchboard position, including signals from telephones authorized to make "Operational Priority" calls. The long distance operator will, if necessary, interrupt a circuit in order to make a "Clear the Line" connection, stating to the parties concerned "I must interrupt for a 'Clear the Line' call - please hang up at once." The Chief Operator will personally supervise the handling of "Clear the Line" calls, assisting or taking over the process as required.

e. Incoming "Clear the Line" calls will be handled as given in Paragraph 2d above.

3. "Operational Priority"

a. "Operational Priority" calls over First Tactical Air Force circuits may be placed only from the telephones listed below. No other telephones at this headquarters may be used for this purpose.

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MEMORANDUM, Hq First Tactical AF (Prov), 30 Nov 1944, subj: "Telephone Priorities", cont'd.

b. "Operational Priority" calls will be placed only when:

- (1) The call affects current or imminent operations, and
- (2) it is essential that the connection be made at once.

c. Ext. 6 - Commanding General
Ext. 506 - Command Duty Officer (1800-0800)
Ext. 5 - Chief of Staff
Ext. 106 - Deputy Commanding General for Operations
Ext. 306 - Executive or Operations
Ext. 3 - Director of Operations
Ext. 2 - Director of Intelligence
Ext. 10 - Director of Communications
Ext. 610 - Duty Signal Officer (1800-0800)
Ext. 4 - Director of Supply

d. Each Section Chief indicated above may authorize individuals within the Section to place "Operational Priority" calls over these telephones only. Section Chiefs are responsible for appropriate restrictive measures in order to avoid abuse of this priority.

e. Procedure to place an "Operational Priority" call is as follows:

- (1) Signal the switchboard operator - ask for "Long Distance."
- (2) State "This is an 'Operational Priority' call - Georgia Advance Number 3."

f. The operator will complete the call to destination disregard all other signals on his switchboard position except those from telephones authorized to make "Clear the Lines" calls.

- (1) The Long Distance operator will, if necessary, interrupt a circuit in order to make an "Operational Priority" connection, stating to the parties concerned - "I must interrupt for an 'Operational Priority' call - please hang up."
- (2) The Chief Operator will personally supervise the handling of "Operational Priority" calls, assisting as required, or picking up other "Operational Priority" calls or "Clear the line" calls which may come in on his position while the operator is completing another "Clear the line" or "Operational Priority" call.

g. Incoming "Operational Priority" calls will be handled as described in paragraph 3f above.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Biogan
T. J. BIOGAN
Colonel, AGP,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

J-S-1g

30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM :

TO : All Staff Sections

RESTRICTED USE OF SHAEF AIR OPERATIONS TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

1. Telephone calls originating from the following telephones in this headquarters may be routed over the SHAEF AIR operations Circuits:

Ext. 6 - Commanding General
Ext. 506 - Command Duty Officer (1700-0800)
Ext. 5 - Chief of Staff
Ext. 106 - Deputy Commander for Operations
Ext. 306 - Executive for Operations
Ext. 3 - Director of Operations
Ext. 2 - Director of Intelligence
Ext. 10 - Director of Communications
Ext. 610 - Duty Signal Officer (1800-0800 daily)
Ext. 206 - Deputy Commander for Administration
Ext. 4 - Director of Supply

2. Telephone calls originating from all other telephones in this headquarters will be routed over circuits other than SHAEF AIR Operations Circuits.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

J. J. BUCAN
J. J. BUCAN
Colonel, AGV,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM: All Officers, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

The following is quoted from paragraph 9, AF Regulation No. 65-23, dated 2 July 1942, for the information and guidance of all officers of this Headquarters:

"9. X X X Commanding officers of all organizations will take the necessary action to insure that articles of clothing for flyers and mechanics issued from air force stock will be worn solely for the purpose intended. The wearing of this clothing by officers and enlisted men on other occasions is prohibited."

By command of Major General JOYCE:

A. C. Bogan
T. C. Bogan,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM :

TO : All Staff Sections

RESTRICTED USE OF SHAEF AIR OPERATIONS TELEPHONE CIRCUITS

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Ext. 306 - Executive for Operations
Ext. 3 - Director of Operations
Ext. 2 - Director of Intelligence
Ext. 10 - Director of Communications
Ext. 610 - Duty Signal Officer (1800-0600 daily)
Ext. 206 - Deputy Commander for Administration
Ext. 4 - Director of Supply

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By command of Major General ROYCE:

J. J. Bragan
J. J. BRAGAN
Colonel, AGF,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

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30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM :

TO : All Staff Sections.

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b. Only the following individuals of this headquarters are authorized to make "Clear the Line" calls. Calls must be made from the telephones listed.

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- (3) The Deputy Commander for Administration (Ext. 206)

c. Procedure to place a "Clear the Line" call is substantially as follows:

- (1) Signal the switchboard operator - ask for "Long Distance State - This is a 'Clear the Line' call for General ."
- (2) Get me Gangway Advance, General ."

d. The operator will complete the call to destination, disregarding all other signals on his switchboard position, including signals from telephones authorized to make "Operational Priority" calls. The long distance operator will, if necessary, interrupt a circuit in order to make a "Clear the Line" connection, stating to the parties concerned "I must interrupt for a 'Clear the Line' call - please hang up at once." The Chief Operator will personally supervise the handling of "Clear the Line" calls, assisting or taking over the process as required.

e. Incoming "Clear the Line" calls will be handled as given in Paragraph 2d above.

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MEMORANDUM, Hq First Tactical AF (Prov), 30 Nov 1944, subj: "Telephone Priorities", cont'd.

b. "Operational Priority" calls will be placed only when:

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e. Procedure to place an "Operational Priority" call is as follows:

- (1) Signal the switchboard operator - ask for "Long Distance."
- (2) State "This is an 'Operational Priority' call - Georgia Advance Number 3."

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By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. BODGAN
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Colonel, AGO,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM :

TO : See Distribution

1. An allocation of approximately one bottle of whiskey per American Officer of this command is being made through the Service Groups designated below, at a cost of 100 francs per bottle, payable in advance.

a. 310th Service Group will handle collection of money and issuance of liquor for all USAAF units in the Dijon Area and areas South and West thereof.

b. 312th Service Group will do the same for First Tactical Air Force units in the Nancy Area, and for Headquarters First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and Headquarters XII Tactical Air Command.

2. Units should turn over money and orders to the appropriate Service Group as soon as possible, and make arrangements with them for issue of liquor.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Rosenberg
THOMAS G. ROSENBERG,
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374 U.S. ARMY

1 December 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. Communications addressed to the French Officers of this Headquarters bear different headings:

- French liaison
- French Headquarters
- French liaison officers

2. It is pointed out that there are no French liaison officers in this Headquarters but that French officers here belong to this Headquarters in the section to which they are attached.

3. Addresses on communications should be as follows:

For the whole section: French Section
Lt. Colonel de Chasse: Deputy Chief of Staff
Lt. Colonel Duhaze : Assistant A-2
Ct Besnard : Assistant A-3
Ct Auriol : Assistant Transmissions.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

F. J. Brogan
F. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (HAFV)
374

2 December 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: All Staff Sections, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force,
CO's All Units Attached this Headquarters.

1. In the past few days there have been four fires in the Thomas Hotel, all of them of a serious nature. In each case, an investigation revealed the fires were caused by carelessness in the use of heating stoves.
2. Effective immediately, heads of all staff sections will take steps to insure that no fires are left burning in any of the office stoves when personnel leaves for the night.
3. The above directive applies to all buildings occupied by components of this headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. B. GAN
H. B. GAN,
Colonel, AGC,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

2 December 1944

MEMORANDUM)

TO : See Distribution.

APPOINTMENT OF SERVICE CENTER COMMANDERS

As provided in Memorandum 65-4, this headquarters, dated 24 November 1944, the following Service Center Commanders are announced:

WALTER I. BLACH, Colonel, AC, O-254534 - Nancy Cluster
JAMES V. HICKS, Colonel, AC, O-334401 - Dijon-Dole Cluster

By command of Major General MOORE:

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T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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2 December 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: All Staff Sections, Headquarters First Tactical Air Force,
CO's All Units Attached this Headquarters.

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3. The above directive applies to all buildings occupied by components of this headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

A. J. Royce
T. J. B. GAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS
APO 374

J-B-7

4 December 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Signal Communications Personnel, Hq First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

1. The following instructions will apply to Signal Communications personnel in the event of an air attack on Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force:

a. Officer personnel of the Wire and Radio Staff Sections will report for duty immediately to render any assistance necessary to the Headquarters Signal Officer.

b. Officer and enlisted personnel on duty in the Signal Center will remain on duty and continue with their assigned work.

c. Officers and section chiefs of the Signal Center, who are not on duty at the time of the attack, will report for duty at once.

d. All other personnel will remain in the area of their quarters.

For the Director of Communications:

GLENN A. PRICE,
Lt Colonel, Signal C.,
Executive.

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HEADQUARTERS

FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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5 December 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: All Staff Sections.

1. Airplane courier service to fields of this command is available, weather and other conditions permitting, daily.
2. Passengers must be on official business. If the urgency and other conditions of such business make airplane passage necessary or highly desirable, heads of staff sections may authorize such passage which must be arranged through Major Dean, Ext 23 - Ring 3, Room 209, this headquarters.
3. Pilots on duty in this headquarters who desire to acquire flying time on airplanes of this headquarters will arrange for airplanes through Major Dean.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS COMMAND
FIRST TROPICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Commandant
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6 December 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Sections, all Units, this Headquarters.

1. The following safety precautions will be strictly adhered to at all times:

- a. Inflammables, such as gasoline, oil and kerosene shall not be used to start a fire.
- b. Wood and fuel should be at a safe distance from stove.
- c. Stove pipes should not be allowed to rest against or near wood.
- d. Stove pipes should be cleaned frequently.
- e. Ashes should be removed as often as necessary and placed in a metal container or removed from the building at once.
- f. Stoves should not be over-fired or over-heated.
- g. Draft door should be used with caution and care.
- h. Proper receptacles shall be maintained for disposal of cigarettes.
- i. Stoves with fires shall not be left unattended.
- j. All stove pipes shall have outside opening on horizontal position.

2. THESE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WILL BE POSTED IN EACH ROOM CONTAINING STOVES AT ALL TIMES.

For the Commandant:

CHARLES B. PALMER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PAAV)
APO 374

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8 December 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Section Chiefs, All Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

1. Precedence shown on a message tells the message center the speed with which the writer wants the message handled as compared with all other headquarters messages. Unless these priorities are assigned correctly by the originator, the proper handling of traffic by signal communications personnel is seriously impaired. It is therefore necessary that members of the Staff thoroughly understand the meanings of these various degrees of priorities.

2. "URGENT" - Signifies an emergency. Takes priority over all other traffic except other urgent messages - usually deals with current or imminent operations. A message so labelled is considered to be so vital by signal communications personnel that if necessary, all other work in the message center, code room, teletype, and radio rooms stops in order to move this type of message. Rarely used by administrative staff sections but may be.

"OPERATIONAL PRIORITY" - Second only to URGENT - is limited to important messages connected with current or imminent operations intended to enable such traffic to be moved ahead of important but purely administrative messages which are not operational in nature. From time to time messages originated by administrative staff sections have a direct bearing on current or imminent operations. In such occasional cases the precedence "OPERATIONAL PRIORITY" may be properly used.

"PRIORITY" - Normally the highest priority used on purely administrative traffic. Reserved for important messages requiring faster handling than "ROUTINE". Used by operations staff sections also when "OPERATIONAL PRIORITY" attention is not required on the part of signal personnel.

"ROUTINE" - This priority should govern the bulk of message traffic outgoing from this headquarters. Routine traffic is moved as promptly as the load of priority traffic permits but needs no special handling or attention. Based upon the past month's experience, it should never take more than 12 hours for a ROUTINE message to reach the farthest headquarters with which the First Tactical Air Force does business.

By Command of Major General ROYCE:

T. J. Baugh
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

11 December 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: All Staff Sections.

1. The following communication facilities will be available from this headquarters to the combined Sixth Army Group -- First Tactical Air Force Command Post (Forward Echelon) at 0001 December 14:

- (a) Teletype
- (b) Telephone
- (c) Radio
- (d) Motor Courier

2. Daily courier schedule:

	LEAVES	
1st TAC AF	0830	13:30
Sixth Army Group	0845	13:45
Adv Combined C.P.	0830	13:30

(This service begins on December 12)

3. The combined Advance C.P. telephone code name will be FAIRFIELD.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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J. J. Enghill
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS COMMAND
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Office of the Commandant
APO 374

14 December 1944.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Unit Commanders and Section Chiefs, this Station.

Effective immediately, the practice of cutting wood in rooms, offices, on stairways or hallways within buildings occupied by this Headquarters will be discontinued.

For the Commandant:

CHARLES B. PALMER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374

MEMORANDUM:

21 December 1944

TO : All Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

PREPARATION OF MESSAGES

(This memorandum supersedes unnumbered memorandum, this Headquarters, same subject, dated 27 October 1944 and unnumbered memorandum, this Headquarters, Subject: Operational Message Procedure, dated 1 November 1944.)

1. Procedure on operational and administrative messages originating from Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) Main:

a. Messages for transmission through signal channels will be prepared on mimeograph form, sample attached. (Supply is available in the Adjutant General's Publications Section). Message form will be used for original only, manifold sheets for copies. Original and two (2) carbon copies, in the case of administrative messages, and original and three (3) carbon copies in the case of operational messages, will be delivered to AG Cable Section. One copy will be returned to originator after time of receipt, and initials of person receiving message in the Cable Section, have been written thereon. A limited number of paraphrased copies may be made and circulated for the information of other officers and sections directly concerned. All such information copies will be carefully safeguarded and accounted for.

b. The precedence and classification will be typed over the words on the form, so that they will appear on all copies.

c. After transmission of an "operational message" a copy of message will be returned to the originator with the time of receipt by the distant operator indicated.

d. Redline messages will be delivered directly to the Signal Message Center for immediate dispatch.

e. "Top Secret" messages will be prepared on same form and in same method as ordinary messages and will be delivered by the Top Secret Officer concerned to the Top Secret Controller and not to AG Cable Section. One copy will be returned to originator with time of receipt and controller's initials thereon.

2. The space on message form marked "NR" is for entry of outgoing number. Each section will type its assigned code letter immediately after the letters NR on the form provided. Code letters are assigned as follows:

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D/CG-Ops	AO	JAG	N
D/CG-Adm	AA	C/S	O
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3. This code letter, with a number supplied by AG Cable Section, becomes the reference number of the message and is transmitted as part of the message. A blank space is provided on the standard form for the number to be inserted by the AG Cable Section.

4. No administrative message will be given a precedence higher than "Priority" except with the concurrence of the Adjutant General prior to the preparation of the message by originator.

5. The instructions for "Book" and "Multiple Address" messages as outlined in Inclosure Number 2 will be complied with by all sections this Headquarters.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

2 Incls:

Incl 1 - Cy Msg Form.

Incl 2 - Ltr, ETO, Sub: "Book" and
"Multiple Address" Messages,
dtd 30 Nov 1944.

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major AC
Asst Adjutant General

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY

AG 311.22 OnSIG

AFO 887
30 November 1944

SUBJECT: "Book" and "Multiple Address" Messages

TO : Commanding Generals:
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe
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1. Effective 2400 hours, 9 December 1944, signal centers will not accept messages destined to two or more addressees unless they are designated as either a "book" message or a "multiple address" message by the originator.

a. A "book" message is one to be sent to a number of addressees, none of whom needs to know who the others are.

b. A "multiple address" message is one to be sent to a number of addressees, all of whom need to know who the others are, for purposes of coordination.

2. Originators of messages destined to two or more addressees will designate their messages to be either "BOOK" or "MULTIPLE ADDRESS" immediately before the text.

3. This procedure will increase the speed of service of communications in this theater and conserve "wire time" by shortening the headings on messages.

By command of General LISIMHOLM:

/s/ R. B. Lovett
R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, USA
Adjutant General

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REPRODUCED BY: Hq First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
7 December 1944

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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25 December 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Chiefs of all Special and Staff Sections, Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Recent information indicates that the enemy is now using agents, saboteurs, and assassins (dressed in American and British uniforms) to penetrate or be dropped behind our lines. These agents are selected personnel who speak English and who are specially trained for their missions. As indicated by the recent capture on the First Army Front of three German soldiers in an American jeep, the enemy will probably use captured equipment for the transportation of these groups. All enemy personnel engaged on these missions will have forged American or British identification papers and identification tags.

2. Since individuals dressed in Allied uniforms seldom create suspicion, and therefore are infrequently stopped and questioned at roadblocks or by Military Police, it is evident that the eventual capture of these enemy agents presents a very difficult problem. It is therefore desired that Section Chiefs explain to all officer and enlisted personnel under their command the methods now being used by the enemy and impress upon each individual officer and enlisted man the importance of promptly reporting to Military Police, CIC or other security agencies any person, whether in uniform or not, who acts suspiciously or whose presence in this area cannot be readily explained. It will be necessary for guards, Military Police and other security personnel to challenge and to demand identification papers from all military personnel, regardless of rank. Personnel whose duties require travel by road or visits to other headquarters will acquaint themselves with the current paroles and countersigns, and carry competent orders when outside the Sixth Army Group area. The normally required identification credentials will be carried at all times. It is desired that all members of this headquarters understand the reason for this procedure and cooperate to the fullest extent.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374
Public Relations Office

30 December 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Commanding General, Thru C/S

Public Relations Monthly Activities Report.

1. PRESS.

- a. 1211 separate stories on personnel dispatched to home town papers, totaling over 200,000 words.
- b. Five general releases, in addition to daily operations summary provided to Paris for SHAEF briefing, to U. S. press camp and to French press camp.

2. RADIO.

- a. Two spots on Army Hour, one introducing this Air Force through General Royce and French and American combat officers; the other a combat story recorded at U. S. press camp from an American P-47 pilot.
- b. P-47 combat interview used by BBC on all its round-the-world broadcasts.
- c. 38 personality stories sent like number of local radio stations on First TAC AF personnel.
- d. 28 home-town releases to radio stations.

3. PICTORIAL.

- a. Previewed introductory newsreel on First TAC AF, made by OWI for Allied pool, and discovered them short of take-off and landing sequences. Arranged with Army Pictorial Service to shoot 300 feet of needful footage and this has been forwarded OWI, London.
- b. Sixteen still photo general releases were sent for world-wide distribution, highlighted by the series on legless French girl, Yvette Hamel, and Christmas Eve Midnight Services.

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- c. Two bomb-strike attack (Mediums) were released generally.
 - d. Four Aerial B-26 formations released to French press.
 - e. 91 photos released with home-town stories.
4. SPECIAL PROJECTS. (COMPLETED)
- A. Christmas Eve services at Joan of Arc church with First TAC AF personnel in attendance were photographed and telephoted to U. S.
 - b. Picture of gift presentation by G. I.'s to legless girl in Paris hospital telephoted to U. S. and widely used on Continent, with story.
 - c. Year-end summary of operations supplied USSTAF and for release to press generally on 1 January 1945.
 - d. Week-end summary of "good weather" operations compiled and released 30 December 1944.
 - e. By continued insistence on PRD SHAEF Signals, obtained shared-time on a PR teletype circuit from 6th A. G. Headquarters, for delivery of press material to our office in Paris.
 - f. Handled visit of Swiss military mission this headquarters.
5. SPECIAL PROJECTS. (PENDING)
- a. Accepting story suggestion that one of our veteran P-47 groups has experienced the complete evolution of fighter-bomber operations--in types of a/c, tactics and geographies--Colliers is sending Staff Writer Joe Deering here this week to do story with pictures.
 - b. Favorable reaction by Time Magazine on suggestion for cover story on this Air Force.
 - c. Newsreel of French Air Corps, made in MAAF, being sent on our request for showing to French Air Ministry Officers who requested it.
 - d. Orders requested of SHAEF to send Lt. Col. William Wyler ("Memphis Belle"--"Mrs. Miniver") to this Command to pursue our suggestion that this Air Force be included in tactical film he is under orders to produce.

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- e. American Magazine--Gordon Gaskill--arriving 10 January 1944 to do story on French air component.
- f. Through A-1 obtained two candidates for briefing press camp correspondents and obtained concurrence of 6th A. G. Press Camp Commandant for air briefer to be assigned there.
- g. Twelve correspondents from SHAEF mission to visit French Air Corps.

6. CORRESPONDENTS SERVED.

- a. Bemaree Bess, Saturday Evening Post.
Edward Angly, Chicago Sun.
Mlle Poirrer, Agence France Presse.
Max Corre, La Patrie.
Miss Monica Stirling, Atlantic Monthly.
Herb Graffis, Esquire Magazine, Chicago Times.
Gordon Gammack, Des Moines Register-Tribune, Minneapolis Star-Journal, Iowa and Minnesota radio stations.
William Miller, Cleveland Press, Scripps-Howard.
Wick Fowler, Dallas Morning News, Texas radio stations.
John Preston, Yank Magazine.
Ed Clark, Stars and Stripes (Strasbourg). (Flew mission with Beaufighters over Rhine for pre-Christmas story.
- b. Twenty-odd correspondents at French press camp, and a like number at U. S. press camp are served with daily releases by telephone dictation.

7. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT.

- a. During December gratifying progress was made in procurement of pictorial and radio equipment, although in both departments the end of the month finds us still using borrowed equipment, and borrowed laboratory production,
- b. By request on SHAEF, one Army Pictorial Service photographer was assigned for 30 days' duty and another, from USSTAF, is being sent us this week. With these photographers on loan, and using APS laboratory facilities, it is hoped to build a backlog of pictures on this Air Force.

Harold I. Leysen
HAROLD I. LEYSEN
Major, Air Corps
Director, PR Division

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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3 January 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : CG's and CO's all Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. In connection with several recent incidents of suspected sabotage or espionage the reports to this headquarters have been unduly delayed and the persons involved released before completion of an adequate investigation.

2. Paragraph 9, Memorandum No 45-3, this headquarters, provides that incidents of this kind will be reported by the most expeditious means available to the First Tactical Air Force A-2 Duty Officer. Any individual apprehended will be released prior to investigation by CIC only upon specific authority of the unit commander.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV), APO 374, US Army, 5 January 1945.

TO: CG's & CO's, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

For compliance.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

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Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
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s/ J. B. Gordon
t/ J. B. Gordon
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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By command of Lieutenant General SPANZ:

For compliance.

TO: See Distribution.

HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 22 December 1944.
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s/ R. R. Lovett
t/ R. B. Lovett
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Adjutant General.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

"3. All officers of the Army and War Department officials and civilian employees will refrain from making such public statements and will take the necessary action to prevent such statements being made by personnel under their control."

"2. There is increasing evidence of a slackening of effort in the production of essential war materials. In part, this may be attributed to speculative public statements made by responsible military and civilian officials at home and abroad indicating the possibility of an early termination of the war. Such statements serve no useful purpose. To the contrary, they are destructive of our all-out war effort."

"1. We are in the most critical period of the war. Production of essential supplies vital to the war effort must be kept at a high level in order to support our military operations."

War Department letter, AG 000.7 (1 Dec 44) OS-S-NDGAF-R, subject as above dated 8 December 1944, is quoted for your compliance:

TO : Commanding Generals,
US Strategic Air Forces in Europe

SUBJECT: Statements by Responsible Military and Civilian Public Officials.

AG 000.7 OpGA

20 December 1944

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20 December 1944

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By command of General EISENHOWER:

s/ R. R. Lovett
t/ R. B. LOVETT
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Adjutant General.

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HQ, US STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE, APO 633, US Army, 22 December 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

For compliance.

By command of Lieutenant General SPANZ:

s/ J. B. Gordon
t/ J. B. GORDON,
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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8 January 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Sections ~~this Headquarters~~.

1. It is requested that each staff or special staff section chief, this Headquarters, prepare a roster of all officer personnel assigned to his section which will give the following information:

- a. NAME (with initials, if any)
- b. RANK
- c. SECTIONAL DUTY ASSIGNMENT
- d. EXTENSION NUMBER ON WHICH OFFICER CAN BE REACHED

2. This information should be submitted to the Headquarters Signal Officer not later than 12 January 1945 for prompt and accurate incorporation into the Headquarters Telephone Directory.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG,
Major, Air Corps
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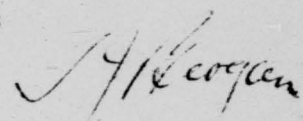
MEMORANDUM: Efficiency Reports.

1. For the information and study of those officers in this headquarters who are required to submit efficiency reports, a reproduction of the revised WD AGO Form #67, "Officers Efficiency Report" is attached.

2. Until printed forms are supplied and distributed, a careful study of the attached form, in connection with revised copy of AR 600-185, recently distributed, should be made, in order to facilitate the correct and rapid preparation of efficiency reports.

3. Attention is invited to the importance of rendering proper efficiency reports. Army Regulations point out that the rendition of a careless, hasty, or inconsistent evaluation is an injustice to the officer reported upon and a demonstration of inefficiency on the part of the reporting officer. Each item of WD AGO Form #67, must be considered carefully and the officer reported upon should be considered as an individual rather than a member of a homogeneous group.

By command of Major General ROYCE:



T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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EFFICIENCY REPORT

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OF OBJECTIVITY, IMPARTIALITY, AND SOUND, CONSIDERED JUDGMENT DISPLAYED BY
THE RATING OFFICER. READ INSTRUCTIONS

SEE AR 600-185

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D. OFFICER REPORTED UPON

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL

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OFFICIAL STATUS OF OFFICER WITH RESPECT TO YOU

Period Covered by Report

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C. STATIONS AT WHICH OFFICER SERVED AND DUTY ASSIGNMENTS

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D. WRITE A BRIEF GENERAL ESTIMATE OF THIS OFFICER. Refer to points of weakness as well as strength. Unfavorable entries of opinion in this estimate need not be referred to the officer being rated.

E. ALL ENTRIES
ARE FORMULATED
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F. INDICATE YOUR ATTITUDE
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G. WHAT DEGREE OF SUCCESS HAS HE ATTAINED UNDER THE FOLLOWING? Place an
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should be entered for a rating of unknown. See instructions on reverse
side.

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OFFICIAL REPORTS		DEFINITELY NOT WANT HIM?		7. Force											
				8. Judgment & Combat Sense											
				9. Leadership											
				10. Ability to Obtain Results											
H. Since last report has he been mentioned in official communications?		Favorably Yes or No	I. During the period covered by this report was he the subject of any disciplinary measure that should be included on his record? If so, inclose separate statement of nature and attendant circumstances	YES or NO	J. In case unfavorable entries have been made, other than in D and/or F, were the deficiencies brought to the officer's attention while under your command and prior to preparation of this report?						YES or NO	TOTALS	-	+	
		Unfavorably Yes or No										K. Net Value	-->		
L. OUTSTANDING SPECIALTIES OF VALUE IN MILITARY SERVICE. Make no entries except where statement is based on personal observation or official reports. Show pilot and/or observer ratings of Air Corps officers.				M. Enter numerical rating using the following basis: Numerical rating equals the net value (K) divided by total number of entries for which a numerical rating was given.						Numerical Rating					
				N. Enter adjectival rating based on numerical rating (M). Use following code. Below 0 (-4) - Unsatisfactory 0.0 to 1.99 - Satisfactory 2.0 to 3.49 - Very satisfactory 3.5 to 5.49 - Excellent 5.5 to 7.0 - Superior						Adjectival rating					
O. I CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF ALL ENTRIES MADE HEREON ARE TRUE AND IMPARTIAL AND ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR600-165															
INCLOSURES		SIGNATURE		TYPE, NAME, GRADE AND ORGANIZATION						COMMANDING OFFICER					

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27 September 1944

(This form supersedes WD AGO Form No. 67, 2 July 1943,
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EFFICIENCY REPORT (Cont'd)

INSTRUCTIONS
(See AR 600-185)

1. Efficiency ratings comprise an evaluation of an officer in comparison with others of the same grade. In a large group of officers, such as are normally assigned to an infantry division, the law of averages will establish that about twenty percent of the officers of each grade may be superior about twenty percent may be in the two lower classifications of very satisfactory and satisfactory (Unsatisfactory officers should be identified promptly and reclassified), the remaining sixty per cent who constitute the mass of thoroughly capable officers would fall into the excellent category. Commanders of regiments and large units must analyze the reports prepared with their organization and whenever the distribution varies markedly from the above the reasons must be sought. It is highly important that officers who are genuinely superior be identified by their ratings so that their talents may be fully utilized. It is also important to identify those officers whose qualifications and standards of performance of duty are above the minimum required, but who are clearly below the standard established by the mass of officers of their grade. A series of reports of an individual officer should present a highly accurate evaluation of his worth.

2. Prior to filling in Section G of this report consider carefully the following definitions and the numerical values assigned to each. Keep them in mind when rating, taking into consideration the length of service of officer you are rating and the opportunities afforded him, which might have a bearing upon his performance of duty, personal characteristics, or professional qualifications.

UNSATISFACTORY: Performance of the particular duty reported upon or personal characteristics or professional qualification below minimum standards — inefficient.

SATISFACTORY: Performance of the particular duty reported upon or personal characteristics or professional qualifications up to a minimum standard — passably efficient.

VERY SATISFACTORY: Performance of the particular duty reported upon in an efficient manner. Personal characteristics, professional qualifications, or efficiency above that acceptable as satisfactory.

EXCELLENT: Performance of the particular duty reported upon in a very efficient manner. Personal characteristics, professional qualifications, or efficiency above very satisfactory but below superior.

SUPERIOR: Outstanding and exceptional performance of the particular duty reported upon. Personal characteristics, professional qualifications, or efficiency above that considered excellent.

UNKNOWN: To be used in all cases in which the reporting officer has had insufficient opportunity during the period covered by this report to observe the officer reported upon to permit a rating as to the performance of the particular duty, his personal characteristics, or professional qualifications.

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MEMORANDUM)

27 January 1945

TO :) All Concerned.

1. The following are reporting instructions for personnel attending course in Equipment and Maintenance of British Type 10 Radio Set.

- a. Travel -- From London, trainees will proceed by Southern Railway to Richmond and thence from No. 65 bus from Richmond Station to School.
- b. Reporting -- Personnel will report not later than 6 Feb 1945 to School Commandant.
- c. Accommodations -- Civilian billets. Personnel must have advanced payment to cover cost of billets and subsistence. There are no military accommodations available at this point. Personnel will be issued PX rations in advance to cover period of course.
- d. Records and Equipment -- Each trainee will have the following:
 - (1) Three copies of orders assigning him to School.
 - (2) Gas mask
 - (3) Messing Equipment
 - (4) Notebook and pencil

2. These instructions are classified as CONFIDENTIAL. AR 380-5 will be strictly complied with in regard to handling of these instructions.

By command of Major General ROYCE:

H. A. Wilson
H. A. WILSON
Capt., Air Corps,
Actg Asst Adj Gen

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2 February 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

HEADQUARTERS COMMAND

1. Headquarters Commandant, Headquarters Command, First Tactical Air Force (Prov), is Lieutenant Colonel James W. Flett.

2. The Headquarters Command consists of:
- Hq & Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov)
 - Hq Sq 71st Fighter Wing
 - Hq Sq 63d Fighter Wing
 - 385th Signal Company
 - 322d Signal Company
 - Detachment KK 21
 - Detachment KK 40
 - Army Postal Unit 156
 - 202d Medical Dispensary (Avn) (RS)
 - 19th Veterinary Section
 - WAC Detachment

and such other units as may be attached from time to time.

3. The Headquarters Commandant is responsible for:
- a. Supervision of local security of the headquarters.
 - b. Internal arrangement of and plans for moving headquarters.
 - c. The billeting of all personnel of the Headquarters Command, and supervision of the officers' mess.
 - d. Reception of visitors.
 - e. The preservation, maintenance and proper use of all buildings and utilities over which this headquarters exercises immediate jurisdiction.
 - f. The safety, defense, police and sanitation of all areas over which this headquarters exercises immediate jurisdiction.
 - g. The welfare, conduct, general appearance and supervision of military training of troops as directed by the Commanding General, under the immediate jurisdiction of this headquarters.
 - h. The supervision of the operation of a motor pool, using such vehicles as may be properly assigned thereto.
 - i. The coordination of rules, regulations, and military discipline with the local Army Area Commander to prevent conflicts in that respect.

4. Each unit of the command is responsible for its own interior administration (army paper work, promotions and reductions of noncommissioned officers and privates first class, application of AW 104, etc, etc).

5. The Headquarters Commandant is responsible only for such administration as applies to his office, including the keeping of the Officer of the Day roster, and the selection and arrangements for procurement of real estate for the use of this headquarters.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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13 February, 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : See Distribution.

MOTOR COURIER SCHEDULE

(The following schedule is effective 080001A Feb 45)

1. 1st TACAF - Sixth Army Group

Lv 1st TACAF	0930	1130	1330	1630
Ar Sixth Army Gp	0940	1140	1340	1640
Lv Sixth Army Gp	0950	1150	1350	1650
Ar 1st TACAF	1000	1200	1400	1700

2. 1st TACAF - XII TAC (Rear) - 4th Port Int Dep - 761st Chemical Dep Co - 83rd Service Group.

Lv 1st TACAF	0830	Ar 761st Chem Dep Co	1530
Ar XII TAC (Rear)	1100	Lv 761st Chem Dep Co	1540
Lv XII TAC (Rear)	1330	Ar 83rd Service Gp	1600
Ar 4th Port Int Dep	1430	Lv 83rd Service Gp	1610
Lv 4th Port Int Dep	1445	Ar 1st TACAF	1730

3. 12th Army Group - 1st TACAF (No Passengers)

Lv 12th Army Group	0800	Lv 1st TACAF	1245
Ar 1st TACAF	1100	Ar 12th Army Group	1600

4. SHAEF Main - Sixth Army Group - 1st TACAF (No Passengers)

Lv SHAEF Main	0845	Lv 1st TACAF	0845
Ar Sixth Army Group	1845	Ar Sixth Army Group	0855
Lv Sixth Army Group	1900	Lv Sixth Army Group	0900
Ar 1st TACAF	1910	Ar SHAEF Main	1900

5. USSTAF - 86th ADG - 1st TACAF

Lv USSTAF	0845	Lv 1st TACAF	0900
Ar 86th ADG	1200	Ar 86th ADG	1200
Lv 86th ADG	1300	Lv 86th ADG	1300
Ar 1st TACAF	1600	Ar USSTAF	1600

6. 1st TACAF - 42nd Bomb Wing - 310th Sv Group - 923rd Engineers.

Lv 1st TACAF	0830	Ar 42nd Bomb Wing	1200
Ar 923rd Engineers	0845	Lv 42nd Bomb Wing	1330
Lv 923rd Engineers	0850	Ar 923rd Engineers	1600
Ar 310th Sv Group	1130	Lv 923rd Engineers	1615
Lv 310th Sv Group	1145	Ar 1st TACAF	1630

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7. 1st TACAF - 1st French Air Force & French Service Command.

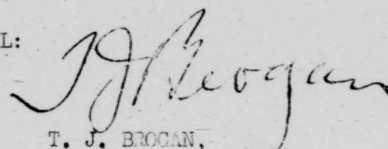
Lv 1st TACAF	0830	Lv 1st French A. F.	0830
Ar 1st French A. F.	1200	Ar 1st TACAF	1200

8. 213th AAA Group - 1st TACAF (No Passengers).

Lv 213th AAA Group	0900	1500
Ar 1st TACAF	0915	1515
Lv 1st TACAF	0930	1530
Ar 213th AAA Group	0945	1545

By Command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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15 February 1945

MEMORANDUM:

AIR DISARMAMENT WING

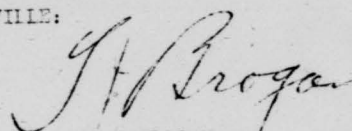
1. The Second Air Disarmament Wing (Prov) of the Ninth Air Force is to be attached to the First Tactical Air Force (Prov). Units of the Air Disarmament Wing will be located on various Airdromes under control of the First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

2. The primary functions of Air Disarmament personnel will be Air Disarmament work. However, in the event there is insufficient work of this character to fully employ such personnel, it is desired that they co-operate and assist the service units located on such airdromes. It is further desired that disarmament personnel be utilized in accordance with their respective MOS numbers in so far as is practicable.

3. Close cooperation between the station commanders and the Air Disarmament unit commanders will result in the better accomplishment of the mission of both the Disarmament and Service organizations.

By command of Brigadier General SAVILLE:

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Adjutant General

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

J-AC-2

19 February 1945

MEMORANDUM:

SUBJECT : Radio Time Signals.

TO : See Distribution.

1. For the purpose of synchronizing time pieces in the sections listed below, each day at 0800 hours, a conference telephone circuit will be set up to furnish time signals:

a. Chief of Staff	Ext. 5
b. Adjutant General	" 7
c. A. G. Cables	" 307
d. Aide-de-Camp	" 13
e. Director of Intelligence	" 2
f. Duty Room - Intelligence	" 102
g. Director of Operations	" 3
h. Administration Section - Operations	" 203
i. Director of Communications	" 10
j. Message Center	" 11

2. The above-listed sections, upon being connected to the conference, will cover the transmitting element of the telephone piece with the palm of the hand, thus shutting out all interference so that the signal may be better heard. In the event a telephone line is found busy, it will not be interrupted, but it is requested that an attempt be made to refrain from using the telephone at the times indicated so that the time signals may be received.

3. The time signals consist of six (6) dots, the sixth of which indicates the exact second of the hour.

4. The Radio Crew Chief on duty will be responsible for contacting the local switchboard operator in sufficient time to permit the operator to establish the conference call before the time signals commence.

For the Director of Communications:

Glenn A. Price
GLENN A. PRICE,
Lt. Col., SC,
Executive.

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27 February 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Heads of All Staff Sections, this headquarters.

1. When a communication from higher headquarters containing any actual or implied criticism of this command is received in a division of this headquarters, it will be sent to the Chief of Staff by informal routing slip, at once, with brief statement of what has been done, or what is being done, to correct the condition mentioned, or an explanation if the criticism is without basis.
2. When any similar communication is received from a subordinate unit, an appropriate reply thereto will be prepared and sent to the Chief of Staff for information and concurrence prior to signature and dispatch.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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27 February 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : All Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

List of Reports

1. Each Staff Section, this Headquarters, will prepare and submit to the Chief of Staff, not later than 1300 hours, Wednesday, 28 February 1945, a list of all reports required from units of this Air Force.

2. Only those reports will be listed which are required at this level of Command by First Tactical Air Force directive, or which are required by higher Headquarters but are processed or consolidated at this Headquarters. Standard reports not processed at this level, such as change of address cards, change of beneficiary, etc., will not be included.

3. Attached is form on which the list will be submitted in single copy. If insufficient, additional supply is available at AG Publications.

4. Reports processed or transmitted by Statistical Control for other Sections, will be listed by the Staff Section requiring the information. Examples: Form 127, Personnel Reports (for A-1), Stock Level Reports (for A-4), etc.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. G. Kronberg
T. G. KRONBERG *HBW*
Major, Air Corps,
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List of Required Reports

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9 March 1945

MEMORANDUM: All Sections, this Headquarters.

No further instructions to subordinate units requiring the submission of reports will be issued until the necessity therefor has been presented to the Adjutant General, this headquarters, who will clear the matter with such other sections as may be appropriate prior to publication of the instructions.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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F. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
Air Disarmament Section

2 March 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Sections and Divisions this Headquarters.

1. There will be a meeting of all division and section heads, (or their representatives) of this headquarters at 1600 hours, Monday 5 March 1945, in the Central Hotel day room; for orientation on Air Disarmament Planning of the First Tactical Air Force.

2. The Commanding General requests the appointment in each section or division an officer responsible for the disarmament planning and preparation of annexes to the First Tactical Air Force Air Disarmament Plan; and that this officer attend this meeting.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T J BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
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8 March 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: ALL STAFF SECTIONS

It is requested that each section of this headquarters, submit to the office of the Director of Organization & Movements, as soon as possible, Specification Serial Numbers commensurate with the commissioned and enlisted grades as shown on the existing manning table.

This is necessary in order to obtain a complete picture of the proposed authorized strength, plus Specification Serial Numbers, rather than the present strength of this headquarters.

There is available in the AG Personnel office AAF Manual 35-1. This manual contains all authorized Specification Serial Numbers.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Neil M. Matzger
NEIL M. MATZGER,
Lt. Colonel, AGD
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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12 March 1945

SUBJECT: Air Travel Security

TO : See Distribution.

1. USSTAF Regulation 46-2, 1 July 1944, and SIMLEF Intelligence Directive No. 22, 15 November 1944, require Air Base Commanders to establish an effective system of security control over all air passenger travel into or out of Continental Northwest Europe.

2. In accordance with the above, civilians travelling by air into or out of Continental Northwest Europe, will be routed only via air bases from which United States or Royal Air Force Transport Commands operate regularly scheduled flights, and which are organized to exercise prescribed security control measures.

3. At air bases other than those from which United States or Royal Air Force Transport Command planes operate, it will be the responsibility of the Base Commander to see that all service personnel travelling by air, into or out of Northwest Europe, whether passengers or crew, are identified, travelling according to competent orders, and carry with them a properly executed security declaration. Sample form for the latter is attached. This form is to be signed by the Base Commander or a designated representative as security control authority as well as the bearer.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps,
Asst Adj General.

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AAF STATION NO. _____

DATE _____

Identity of person signing security declaration below has been established
and his travel is by official order.

(Travel Security Control)

DECLARATION

I certify that, other than properly certified official mail, I have with me no personal communication, written or printed material of any nature, diaries or memoranda, photographs, reproductions, or other considerable articles which have not been passed by U.S. Military Censor; or captured or salvaged enemy material, the transportation or possession of which is prohibited by U.S. or British censorship or security regulations.

Further, that upon leaving this Base I will not disclose to unauthorized personnel any military information gained while in this Theater.

Further, I am not an escaped Prisoner of War, an 'evadee' from capture while in enemy territory, or a released 'internee'.

Further, that I am not on initial entry into the United Kingdom, bringing in with me more than ten pounds sterling (British currency).

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9 March 1945

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12 March 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : See Distribution.

AIR AND MOTOR COURIER SCHEDULE

(This memorandum supersedes Motor Courier Schedule Memorandum dated 13 Feb. 1945.)

Motor Courier Service

1. First TACAF - Langres - 310th Service Group - 42nd Bomb Wing.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0830	: First TACAF	: Ar 1630
: Ar	1015	: Langres	: Ar 1445
: Ar	1145	: 310th Service Group	: - -
: Ar	1200	: 42nd Bomb Wing	: Lv 1300

2. First TACAF - First French Air Corps.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0830	: First TACAF	: Ar 1630
: Ar	1200	: First French Air Corps	: Lv 1300

3. * First TACAF - Luxeuil - First French Service Command.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0830	: First TACAF	: Ar 1630
: Ar	1000	: Luxeuil	: Ar 1430
: Ar	1200	: First French Service Command	: Lv 1300

* Leaves every odd day for March, and every even day for April.

4. First TACAF - Sixth Army Group.

READ DOWN				READ UP			
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: Lv	0930	1330	1630	: First TACAF	: Ar	1000	1400
: Ar	0940	1340	1640	: Sixth Army Group	: Lv	0950	1350

5. First TACAF - 4th Port Intransit Depot - XII TAC (Rear) - 319th Service Group

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0900	: First TACAF	: Ar 1530
: Ar	1015	: 4th Port Intransit Depot	: - -
: -	-	: 319th Service Group	: Ar 1400
: Ar	1130	: XII TAC (Rear)	: Lv 1300

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6. First TACAF - 86th Air Depot Group - SCRIBE - USSTAF.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0900 : First TACAF	: Ar	1600 :
: Ar	1200 : 86th Air Depot Group	: Ar	1300 :
: Ar	1500 : SCRIBE	: Ar	1000 :
: Ar	1600 : USSTAF	: Lv	0900 :

7. 12th Army Group - First TACAF - Sixth Army Group.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	0800 : 12th Army Group (Main)	: Ar	1600 :
: Ar	1145 : First TACAF	: -	- :
: -	- : Sixth Army Group	: Lv	1245 :

8. SHAEF Forward - Sixth Army Group.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	1230 : SHAEF Forward	: Ar	1700 :
: Ar	1730 : Sixth Army Group	: Lv	1200 :

Air Service

1. * Sixth Army Group - Western French Air Forces.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: Lv	1000 : 6th Army Group (Cub Field)	: Ar	1430 :
: Ar	1430 : Western French Air Forces	: Lv	1000 :

* Motor messenger will be substituted if weather does not permit flying for second consecutive day.

2. * Paris - Dijon.

READ DOWN		READ UP	
: 1.	2.	: 1.	2. :
: Lv	0815 1315 : Le Bourget	: Ar	1200 1700 :
: Ar	0945 1445 : Dijon	: Lv	1030 1530 :

* Operated by SHAEF/Air Dispatch Letter Service.

3. Air Transport Command - European Wing.

Flight #201		Flight #202		Flight #203	
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: Ar	Marseilles 1000 :
: Lv	Marseilles 1130 :
: Ar	Dijon 1330 :
: Lv	Dijon 1400 :
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By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan

T. J. BROGAN,
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

14 March 1945

MEMORANDUM: CG's and CO's, All Units, this Air Force, and,
All Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

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By command of Major General MESER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Office of the Commanding General
APO 374 U.S. ARMY

15 March 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, AG, Signal Sections

Sections indicated above will keep a daily diary in which are recorded the results of very important phone conversations and conferences. Agreements reached on important matters and items which require action at some future date should be made a matter of record.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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18 March 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: CG's and CO's All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov).

TIME CHANGE

1. At 020200 A April 1945, zone "B" time will become effective until further notice. Time will be changed to 0300 at this hour and the suffix BAKER will replace the suffix ABLE.
2. Zone "B" time (Double British Summer Time) as stated in SHAEF Operations Memorandum Number 2 is two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.

By Command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
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20 March 1945

MAIL BULLETIN

1. STATUS OF FIRST CLASS MAIL IN TRANSIT. At the present time air lift and weather conditions are such that all air mail originating in the theater is transported by air to the US. Although there has been improvement so far as incoming mail is concerned it is still necessary that some mail bearing air mail postage be transported by surface. The situation at the moment is:

a. A surface dispatch consisting of 39150 pounds of air mail and 107600 pounds of ordinary letter mail (about 6 1/2 million letters) bearing postmarks from about 23 Feb to 4 Mar was dispatched from the US on 6 Mar. It is expected that this mail will arrive to be dispatched from the port area about 22 Mar.

b. A dispatch of 1 1/2 million letters made in mid-December via a vessel that encountered a series of mishaps en route cleared the port in this theater on the 11th and 12th of March and probably clears the forward postal regulating points on the 14th of March.

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2. DELAY AND POSSIBLE DAMAGE TO PARCEL POST. As the result of an accident enroute, a vessel carrying 19081 sacks of parcel post dispatched from New York early in March has put into an intermediate port for repairs. The probable date of arrival in this theater is not known at this time.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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25 March 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Section this Headquarters.

1. It is requested that each staff or special staff section chief, this Headquarters, prepare a roster of all officer personnel assigned to his section which will give the following information:

- a. NAME (with initials, if any)
- b. RANK
- c. SECTIONAL DUTY ASSIGNMENT
- d. EXTENSION NUMBER ON WHICH OFFICER CAN BE REACHED

2. This information should be submitted to the Headquarters Signal Officer not later than 1200 hours 26 March 1945 for prompt and accurate incorporation into the Headquarters Telephone Directory.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
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MAIL BULLETIN #2

28 March 1945

1. STATUS OF FIRST CLASS MAIL IN TRANSIT. Air transportation of air mail from the US has improved to the extent that in the past month 86.5 per cent of air postage paid mail was transported by air. All outgoing air mail has been transported by air since 1 March 1945. It is still necessary, however, that some incoming air mail be dispatched via surface vessels. The latest information regarding letter mail en route from the US is:

a. Two surface dispatched consisting of 63,163 pounds of air mail and 174,332 pounds of ordinary letter mail (about 11 million letters) bearing postmark dates from 2 to 12 March were made from the US in mid-March. This mail is due to arrive in the theater about 28 March 1945.

2. DELAY AND DAMAGE TO PARCEL POST. The vessel reported in the Mail Bulletin of 20 March 1945 as having put into an intermediate port for repair of damage resulting from an accident en route probably will sail about 20 April 1945. This ship was carrying 19,061 sacks of parcel post of which approximately 4,500 sacks were lost as a result of the accident.

3. VOLUME OF MAIL FROM THE US, FEBRUARY 1945. During February 1945, the total mail dispatched from the US to this theater was:

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Type of Mail

Volume

V-Mail (rolls of film)
Air mail (pounds)

11,120 by air
(714,863 by air
(111,673 by surface

Ordinary letter mail (pounds)
Parcel post and prints (sacks)

712,182
346,041

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
APO 374, U. S. ARMY

4 April 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : All Staff Sections

AIR COURIER SERVICE TO ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS

1. Effective 5 April 1945, air transportation will be provided daily between this Headquarters and Advanced Headquarters. A C-47 plane will be dispatched as follows:

<u>Leave</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Time</u>
Bulgneville	1000 hours	Sandhofen	1115 hours
Sandhofen	1500 hours	Bulgneville	1620 hours

2. Reservations will be made with Lt. Rybolt, in the Chief of Staff's office, Ex. 5.

3. Sandhofen Airfield is the nearest landing ground at present to the Advanced Headquarters.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Colonel, Air Corps,
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9 April 1945

SUBJECT: Maintenance of Front Wheel Suspension Units - Chevrolet
and Plymouth Sedans.

TO : C.G.'s and C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov
APO 374, U. S. Army.

1. It has been observed that the front wheel suspension units on a number of Chevrolet and Plymouth Sedans are wearing excessively due to lack of proper lubrication. Improper lubrication is most noticeable in the king pins; the upper and lower pivot pins and bearings which connect the steering knuckle support with the upper and lower control arms; the fitting which connects the lower control arm with the front cross member.

2. In order that the king pin may be lubricated thoroughly, it is necessary to raise the front wheels off the ground and rotate the steering wheel back and forth at the same time that lubricant is being forced into and around the king pin.

3. Thorough lubrication on the fitting which connects the steering knuckle support with the upper and lower control arms and the fitting which connects the lower control arm to the cross member can best be accomplished by placing a jack under the front cross member and raising and lowering the chassis while the wheels remain on the ground and lubricant is forced into the fittings.

4. Spare parts are not available for these front wheel suspension units and it will be necessary to deadline vehicles when these units are worn out.

5. Proper lubrication at least once every one thousand miles will prolong the life of these vehicles many thousands of miles.

6. Attention is invited to the attached drawing.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Colonel, A.G.D.,
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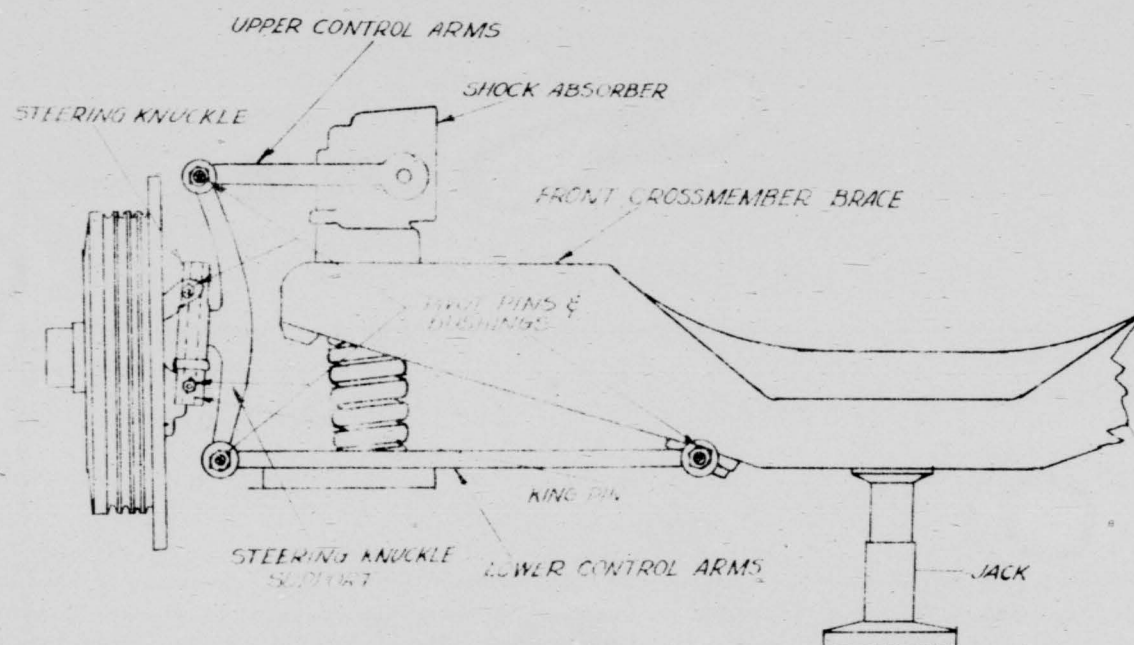
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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MEMORANDUM:

15 April 1945

TO : All Sections, this Hq; All Unit Commanders, this Station.

Providing War Operations are not interfered with, all organizations, this station, will observe a five (5) minute period of prayer and silence in memory of the death of our former President Franklin D. Roosevelt on Sunday, 15 April 1945, from 1500 to 1505 hours, British Summer Time.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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Colonel, AGD,
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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)

21 April 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : *officers* All ~~Personnel~~, Hq, First Tactical Air Force, I Tactical Air Force Service Command, and Attached Units, this station.

All personnel will attend a formation in the Officers Mess, Hotel Thermes, at 1745, this date. Class "A" Uniforms will be worn.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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28 April 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO: All Staff Sections, (less A-2, A-3, Signal Communications, Weather, Public Relations Office)

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2. There will be an officer present in each staff section until 1800 hours.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
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26 April 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Section Chiefs and Organization Commanders, this Headquarters.

1. There are on hand at present approximately 60 sabers, 70 rifles, 20 shot-guns and a few bayonets, confiscated from the enemy. Some of these items are worthless, but some are suitable for souvenirs. All will be allocated to interested staff sections and organizations on a total-strength basis, for whatever disposition they choose to make.

2. Allocation will be made in bulk and as fairly as possible, and the custodians assume no responsibility for personal distribution, quality, variety, or condition of the items.

3. If interested, please fill in the following information and return this communication immediately.

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major AC
Asst Adjutant General

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TO: Major Thomas G. Kronberg, Adjutant General Section, this Headquarters.

FROM:

1. This section wishes to receive a proportionate share of items mentioned in basic communication, and assumes full responsibility for further disposition of same.

2. It is realized that allocation will be in bulk and that some items received may be worthless. These will be returned to Ordnance section for salvage.

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30 April 1945

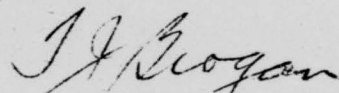
SUBJECT: Report of Unliquidated Obligations

TO : CG's & CO's, All Units First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. A report of unliquidated obligations as of 30 April 1945, by Appropriation and Sub-Appropriation and divided as to those which have arisen from "formal contracts" and "others", in form substantially as used for regular Monthly Reports of Obligations, will be forwarded so as to arrive at this Headquarters by 6 May 1945.

2. Negative reports will be submitted if applicable by those organizations authorized to incur such obligations.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:



T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)
Special Service Section

X-B-1

1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Minutes of Air-Ground Forces Special Service Officers' Conference.

TO : Special Service Officers, Each Unit, this Air Force.

1. The following excerpts from the minutes of the 13/14 April 1945 conference of Air-Ground Forces Special Service Officers are forwarded for your information and guidance.

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a. LIBRARY BRANCH

(1) Guide for the Operation of Small Army Libraries has been published. It is used as a text at the Schools for Unit Librarians, and is the tool for the efficient administration of small Army Libraries. Distribution has been made to all students who have attended the Library Schools, and will be further distributed to all organizations receiving prepared collections of books, and to all smaller units with libraries of Council Books, other paper-bound books, magazines and miscellaneous materials.

(2) Particular attention was called to two paragraphs under d on page 9 of the Guide. From the point of view of Libraries in this Theater, now and in the post-hostilities period, the REL (Reference Book Library) and REK (Reference Book Kit) are the basic collections of books to be issued. REK was set up to supplement and freshen existing book collections, and REL is intended for installations of regimental size where there is no library at all.

(3) The first group of women professional Librarians will arrive in this Theater very shortly. It is planned to have one hundred and twenty (120) in all. They will spend a short period, upon arrival, in the UK Base for orientation purposes, and will then proceed to the Continent. These are top-notch people, and until Assembly Areas are set up, they will be used for field service work.

(4) General Solbert emphasized that Library Service is definitely a Special Services function, and that it will be necessary for all reading materials, including I & E materials, to be made available to the men in centralized libraries, placed under the control and responsibility of a person who has an interest in, and knowledge of books, and who is trained or experienced in their care and use.

(5) The War Department has been requested to assemble smaller groups of books to take care of the small units.

(6) Following three magazines will now be published in this Theater: TIME, NEWSWEEK, and READER'S DIGEST. They will go out in

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the mail from Com Z, and will also be on sale in Post Exchanges.

b. ENTERTAINMENT

(1) Soldier Shows: (a) Program has already started on the stimulation of Soldier Show Demonstration Teams now in the field on two-day courses on how to run Soldier Shows. There are three such teams now in this Theater, consisting of 17 officers in all, which includes one WAC Officer in each team. Demonstrations are given in a Theater where possible, or in a large hall which can be made into a Theater. Their chief aim is to stimulate the interest and enthusiasm of the soldiers who attend the demonstrations, usually 100 and upward. After showing the value of Soldier Shows, they then take up each individual problem facing a Special Service Officer desirous of putting on a Soldier Show, demonstrating how costumes and props can be improvised and made out of waste materials of all kinds. Main objective is to prove that anyone can put on a show.

(b) Teams will be available to all and any who wish to have them. One team is at present in the U.K. Base, and one in Normandy Base Section with a third in Channel Base Section. Their requirements are a room large enough to house the number of men who attend the demonstrations, backstage space for their demonstration equipment, all of which is improvised, and an orchestra or band where possible, because there is reference made to music and the use of music. On the second night of the demonstration, the team puts on a variety show with people picked from the audience, and there in front of the audience they are taught to dance. Messing and billeting of the Demonstration Team is the responsibility of the Special Service Officer of the installation at which demonstration is being given.

(2) General: (a) Colonel Kelly suggested that Engineer and Signal Corps be notified in advance that we may have to call upon them for help on V-E Day. This was considered an excellent idea.

(b) Materials have been requisitioned to completely equip 871 proposed unit theaters, large enough to house from 2,000 to 5,000 men.

(c) There are 500 costumes at this Headquarters which can be issued on memorandum receipt for Soldier Shows (Hq, Com Z). First Army captured 1,000 period costumes. \$10,000 worth of modern costumes now on the water, which is half the amount of our original requisition. Further \$115,000 has been allocated by the War Department for costumes.

(d) It is proposed to send out groups of three specialists to Companies in order to assist for as long as needed to produce Soldier Shows. In addition to these technical men, it is planned to have girl-teams who will go out to supplement legitimate Soldier Shows by playing the female parts.

(3) Jeep Shows: Jeep Show Detachment of 50 GI entertainers still on tour. It is hoped in the future to triple the Jeep Show Detachment.

(4) Native Civilian Shows: (a) This Headquarters (Hq, Com Z) has activated five shows on an experimental basis, consisting of 15 to 17 artists. The reaction to shows of this type is very favourable. Would like Commands and Base Sections to put out their own shows, with Hq, Com Z spotting the talent, putting the acts together and forming the revue. Have been able to get, with few exceptions the best available talent in France. The one problem we are now running into is that of moving the troupes from one place to another because of insufficient transportation. If shows could be formed within the Commands and Base Sections, we could get the talent, and the Commands and Base Sections could then take care of the payment, messing, billeting and transportation. We can find the talent and send it out to you, and it is up to you to use it to the best advantage.

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(b) A directive covering the hiring of native civilian entertainment is being worked on at the present time, which includes salary scales, movement of groups into other countries, and we have also asked for the inclusion of a minimum amount of clothing for them. It is most important to keep the standard rate of pay; any deviation causes endless trouble. The spirit of the directive is to have some control over the entire project. It is believed possible to activate twenty to thirty native civilian shows.

NOTE: Subsequent to the meeting, it was decided that this Headquarters will be responsible only for the policy, planning and general supervision of Allied Civilian Shows, and will also act as a clearing house for available talent. Shows will be made up by the Major Commands, and it is anticipated that provision will be made at this Headquarters to assist Major Commands in making up those shows.

(5) USO Operations: (a) USO Camp Shows are now almost 100% American Artists; very soon there will be no British artists within USO. Major Baker requested that every care be taken not to speak disparagingly about any USO Artist. These people come over here, and with very few exceptions, do a good job; it is up to us, therefore, to treat them right in order to keep them here for the maximum period of time.

(b) It is proposed to send out an information sheet for Officers who have not handled USO Shows. These will be distributed via the EM in charge of each USO Show Unit. The most important thing is that the receiving officer knows the unit is coming to his installation so that he can make the necessary preparations in advance.

(c) It is expected to have 100 regular playing units over here by the end of May or beginning of June. There are 46 units now on the continent, 15 of which are hospital units. War Department will send over larger musical units of from 15 to 20 people. They are also going to send more legitimate shows, consisting of a cast of approximately 15 people; there are five such shows here now. This type of show should stay in one place for at least one week. We have requested 20 hospital units in addition to the 100 regular units. Have also requested good singers for Chaplain Shows, to assist the Chaplains with their program. There is an all-girl Negro orchestra coming over, and it can be arranged to send this unit over to the U.K. to play colored Air Force installations.

c. MOTION PICTURE BRANCH

(1) Major _____ called attention to paragraph IV, Circular II, dated 29 January 1945, re civilian attendance at movie shows, and to AG letter 413.53 opSC, dated 20 March 1945, Subject: "Registration of Projectors and Training of Projectionists."

(2) Special Service Officers present raised questions as to whether or not there was assigned transportation for the distribution of 16mm film. It was pointed out that distribution depended upon coordination with and the use of STARS AND STRIPES transportation, which has been causing some difficulty due to the fast movement of the Armies, and changes in routes of STARS AND STRIPES deliveries. General Solbert considered this a very unsatisfactory method, and instructed Colonel Tulley to take action in the matter.

d. ATHLETIC DIVISION

(1) Colonel _____ stated that the Athletic Program has not changed since we first started working on it, and read extracts from the draft of the Special Services Plan, which was submitted to Hq ETOUSA, for the Redeployment and Readjustment period.

(2) In order to clarify the situation in regard to the Athletic School, Colonel _____ explained that the sole purpose of these Schools is to assist Commands with the Athletic Program in giving them information and materials to enable them to set up their own Command Schools.

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(3) At the present time the Athletic Division is setting up a training manual, also program for a coaching school. Program will be outlined and material and information sent out.

14 April 1945

3. The Army now appreciates Special Service, and it will last and become part of this man's army. It has been sold over here - it has been sold better here than in the War Department.

To carry out this Special Services mission, boils down to a very few things.-one is supply and the other people. With your requisition for supplies, being in your plan for using them. I ask for this because I go before General Somervell to defend our new budget before it goes to Congress. Congress will not turn down a request for a baseball for a soldier - I think we are going to get more money this time, and this trip will add to my knowledge and help to see the program and get the money. If the war had ended in October or November, the Supply Division would have been red in the face because we did not have the supplies on the water that we now have. If your survey here shows that this is not enough, a compilation made by you of what you have not got, and the justification to General Solbert and then to General Lee for a cable to WD for the stuff, we will get it to you if we have it. Leather - good leather, is scarce. You will have to take care of your leather stuff. I think the shipments will be in plenty of time. The V-E stockpile is in addition to your quarterly supply, which comes forward automatically.

4. In reply to a question in regard to Circular #360, General Byron stated that it will be revised, and it is hoped that it will even things up making T/O's for Special Services and Information and Education the same.

e. SUPPLY DIVISION

(1) Troops going to the Pacific will take with them all the supplies and equipment they can. Those returning to the U.S. will leave all equipment at the Staging Areas. This material will be salvaged and redistributed through normal channels.

(2) Within the next week we will have in our Warehouse, or on the way to the Warehouse, one-third of the V-E Day equipment which will be "frozen" until V-E Day. We are still getting our quarterly allocations, and there is indication that the allocation for 1946 will be one-fifth larger than any previous allocation.

f. SPECIAL FACILITIES

(1) Prospects for having a WAC Special Service Company are good. Plan is now in the hands of G-3, and it is proposed to name it "Special Activities Company" instead of Special Service Company. One of the functions will be for WACs with theatrical talent to assist the men in putting on joint shows.

(2) First priority on day-room furniture is at the moment for repatriated prisoners and wounded men. Furniture will always be a critical item, and it is up to everyone to improvise as much as possible.

(3) One hundred and fifty (150) American civilian hostesses have been requisitioned from the US. Tentative plan has already been worked out as to where these women will be utilized, based on requisitions from Base Section Special Service Officers.

(4) WD Pamphlet #28-5 has already been published on post-war tours, and we are now in the process of getting the necessary personnel together for the operation of these tours.

g. HANDICRAFT

(1) Handicraft is now a part, and we hope it will be an important part, of Special Services. This has been in the making for over a year, but for various reasons little has been accomplished.

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(2) The greatest problem in any handicraft program is finding the personnel to teach it. For this reason, we are making it as foolproof as possible, having in mind this personnel problem. We have started with ten crafts. These have been chosen because of the availability of materials, the minimum number of tools required, the ease with which the craft can be mastered and its potential value as a possible money-making project in the future.

(3) Ten booklets are being printed. Each contains the basic facts of the craft. To augment these booklets and permit the worker to continue alone, we propose to set up a workshop library. We are also starting at this Headquarters a "Question and Answer" Department where we will be able to answer, or at least find the answer, to any questions in regard to any craft you may require. We have also arranged with POPULAR MECHANICS to devote ten to twelve pages in their overseas publications to these subjects.

(4) You must let us know what you want in the way of kits. When we have your orders, we will fill to the best of our ability. More money has been allocated, and the backing received in New York indicated that they are now sold and vitally interested in the program.

(5) At present the following kits are on hand:

Artist Sketch Kits
Block Printing
Celluloid etching
Clay modeling
Knotting and Braiding
Leathercraft
Metal and Plastics
Woodcarving

(6) Augmenting these, are Workshop Kits, which contain more tools, and will take care of fifty (50) men. These can now be requisitioned.

(7) We are writing an operating guide which will be sent to all Units. This explains how to start a Handicraft Program. It is hoped that we shall be able to find space here in Paris for a model workshop, so that men could be sent in to study the program and see how each one of these crafts are done.

(8) It is hoped that articles made by the men will be put on sale at Post Exchanges, which will help in getting over to them the fact that this work can be actually remunerative.

(9) Quantities of materials are to be found in the cities and towns through which our troops are passing. We have a limited number of replacement kits, but any materials which can be so obtained could be put to good use for replacement purposes.

1. MUSIC

(1) By a Theater directive, just published, T/O Bands are a responsibility of Special Services. These bands are, for the most part, in the Theater now - we have 43 such bands here or scheduled to arrive any day. Some of these bands are scheduled to go out of this Theater two or three months after V-E Day.

(2) After V-E Day we are going to have to rely more and more on units already organized. The most important of these are the T/O Bands, and it will be up to us to create in them the kind of tool we need by making them complete entertainment units. We hope to be able to establish a School for Band Leaders with their assistants.

(3) Questions were asked regarding the availability of the Russian National Anthem - also those of other liberated countries. General Byron requested that he be given particulars of what was required, and, upon his return to the War Department he would endeavor to procure it.

(4) Colonel _____ considered there was an evident lag on the part of the Athletic Division as compared with the I & E Division, especially on the question of T/O. At the rate it is going now, we are not going to be

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able to train sufficient Athletic Officers to meet the demand. It was explained here that the object of the School is to phase you with the Athletic program and enable you to set up Athletic Schools within your own Command, - it is a school for people who are planning and setting up schools..

(5) Colonel _____ knows fifteen (15) men he needs for his Athletic Program, but their present Services will not release them. After V-E Day, however, they will be made available.

For the Special Service Officer:

Russell L. Ball
RUSSELL L. BALL,
Captain, Air Corps,
Executive Officer.

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1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Message from General Arnold.

TO : All Units, Attached to this Headquarters.

The following message from General Arnold, Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"The following memorandum, which, I believe, will serve a fruitful purpose, is a result of my visits with your personnel and is directed to each member of the Army Air Forces:

Memorandum: All officers and men of the Army Air Forces in the ETO and MTO.

1. As the war against Germany draws to a victorious conclusion, I wish to extend to each and every one of you my heartiest congratulations on the manner on which you have conducted the air battle in that war. At the same time, I am moved to dwell a bit on the future.

2. It is essential, before the peace of the world can be assured, that we now turn the full might of our armed forces against Japan to bring a decisive end to the struggle in the Pacific. Many of you will be required to augment the growing Army Air Forces strength now engaged against Japan. We, in Washington, have been giving constant thought and study to the many problems involved in your redeployment or demobilization. Our plans are now complete and even now are being implemented. As rapidly as the available troop ships and air transports can ply the sea and the air from your ports to the United States and back again, you will be moved.

3. With minor exceptions, those of you who have served longest in Europe and Africa will be returned to your homes when demobilization phase starts. But first, we must assure that all the air forces with accompanying service elements required to obtain an early decisive victory are redeployed against Japan. For this, we are taking the personnel who have had the least service overseas, returning them to the United States for leaves and furloughs at home, before reassembling for shakedown training and departure for the Pacific.

4. Many of you joining in the Japanese war will find yourselves confronted with new aircraft to master. You will find that it will take time to learn the differences in technique necessary to operate and maintain the bomber-29's and other new types. This will serve to extend your re-training period in the United States.

5. There must remain in Europe a sufficient force to assure the readjustment to peace which may take a considerable time after this violent war. The occupational air force will be made up of those of you who have served neither the longest nor the least, but who have gained sufficient experience to assure success of your mission. At the earliest practicable date, but probably not until the Pacific War is terminated, your return to the United States will be possible as the result of rotation and replacement.

6. I realize full well that the toughest part of the next several months will be the period of waiting-waiting for transportation-waiting for your unit to

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start moving, but we, with the help of your commanders, will do our utmost to keep you not only employed in useful work but also endeavor to provide recreation with as much variety as is possible to get.

7. In conclusion let it be clearly understood that I am as anxious to see you all home again as you are to get there, but sight must not be lost of the fact that we have another job to do in the Pacific which requires some, though not all, of you to accomplish. This job will not be an easy one but I am confident that in this war against Japan you will continue to maintain the high morale and spirit that has been common to all Army Air Forces personnel throughout the world.
Signed: ARNOLD"

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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2 May 1945

SUBJECT: War Department Film - "Two Down and One to Go".

TO : See Distribution.

1. Reference is made to letter AG 413.53 PUB GC, Headquarters European T of Opns US., subject as above, dated 9 December 1944.

2. It is desired that commanding officers of units of this Air Force establish insofar as possible direct contact with appropriate Information-Education Officers of Armies, Army Corps, or Base Sections, within the geographical limits of which they are stationed, concerning detailed arrangements for showing of subject film to their units.

3. Contact in regard to arrangements for showing of subject film should be established as soon as possible and in no case later than three (3) days after announcement of release of the film.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Col., AGD,
Adjutant General.

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2 May 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Sections.

1. When messages are received by staff sections of this Headquarters which must be relayed to other headquarters, an inter-office buck slip will be prepared and forwarded through AG Cables to the Message Center, requesting the relay.
2. The buck slip will show the addressees to which relay is desired, the precedence to each addressee, and, in addition, will show the originator's number, AG Cables number and the Message Center number (M/C NR) of the message to be relayed. Sample of buck slip is shown on reverse side.
3. Precedence of relay traffic must be kept to the absolute minimum consistent with operational requirements.
4. Relay of operational priority or urgent messages may be accomplished by means of telephone call to AG Cables, followed by normal buck slip request.
5. In the event that a message is received in a cryptographic system not held by lower units of this command and relay is desired, the message must be paraphrased by the section requesting relay and sent as a new message. The Signal Center will indicate on incoming traffic those messages which may not be relayed without paraphrasing.
6. When a clear text message is to be relayed, a copy will be attached to the buck slip request.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
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INFORMAL ROUTING SLIP

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SUBJECT: Request for Relay.

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One (1) copy, subject message (in case of clear text).

NO	DATE	FROM	TO	REMARKS
1.	27-4-45	A-3	A.G. Cables	Request the following message be relayed to: FOR ACTION: Hq 42nd Bomb Wing - R Hq XII TAC (Adv) - R FOR INFO : Hq I TAC AF SC - D Originator's No. - XP6872 AG Cables No. - 5001 Message Center No. - M/C NR 25/13

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3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Message from General Arnold.

TO : All Units, Attached to this Headquarters.

Matters contained in General Arnold's message quoted in letter this headquarters, same subject and addressees as above, dated 1 May 1945, are not to be discussed with the press.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, ACD
Adjutant General

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4 May 1945.

400.8

SUBJECT: Food Conservation:

TO : See Distribution.

1. Letter published by this Headquarters, subject "Food Conservation" dated 1 May 1945, file number 400.8 is supplemented as follows:

a. CATEGORY I. Units engaged in either combat or hard work which will receive the basic military ration without deduction:

1. Fighter Squadrons (includes Night Fighter Sqdns),
2. Bomb Squadrons.
3. P/R and T/R Squadrons.
4. All Ordnance Units.
5. Q. M. Truck Companies.
6. Air Service Squadrons.
7. Mobile R & R Squadrons.
8. Depot Repair Squadrons.
9. Depot Supply Squadrons.
10. Signal Construction Battalions, Heavy.
11. Signal Battalions, Tactical Air Command.
12. Airborne Squadrons.
13. Liaison Squadrons.
14. 4th Depot Unit, Army.
15. Military Police Companies

b. CATEGORY II. Units engaged in either sedentary, light or moderately active duties which will receive a ten percent deduction from the basic military ration:

1. All Headquarters to include Battalions and Groups
2. Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions.
3. Signal Company Wings.
4. Signal Company Service Groups.
5. Signal Company Depots Aviation.
6. Signal Service Companies.
7. Fighter Control Squadrons.
8. Tactical Air Communications Squadrons.
9. Radio Squadrons Mobile.
10. Chemical Companies.
11. Q. M. Company, Service Groups.

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12. Station Complement Squadrons.
13. Q. M. Platoons, Air Depot Groups.
14. Weather and Communication Detachments.
15. Medical Supply Platoons.
16. Photo Technical and Photo Intelligence Detachments.
17. Medical Dispensary, Aviation.
18. Bands.
19. Veterinary Sections.
20. AFU's

2. All units listed in category II will:

- a. Immediately start the ten percent reduction.
- b. Report the date ration reduction is placed in effect.
- c. Report at once number of rations which will be saved per day.

3. XII Tactical Air Command, First Tactical Air Force Service Command (FROV) and the 42nd Bomb Wing will collect and forward reports for units of their commands.

4. Units will not be changed from category II to category I without prior approval from this Headquarters.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

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4 May 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Headquarters Commandant.

1. Due to the crowded conditions in the Hotel Frank, the female officers, French and American, and AHC personnel now resident there, (except the WAC Detachment Commander), will be moved to the Bayerischer Hof Hotel.

2. Rooms 33a, 35 and 39 (Single) and 34, 36 and 37 (Double) will be reserved for personnel mentioned in paragraph 1, for any future assignments of female officers, and for transient female officers. (Room 39 may later become a double room). Single rooms should be reserved for additional assignments and/or transients rather than assigned to permanent personnel.

3. Your office will complete such movements as are necessary to effect the above mentioned changes by noon Monday, 7 May 1945.

BY ORDER OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. BRIGAN
Colonel, AHC
Adjutant General

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4 May 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Staff Sections this Headquarters.

1. Each staff or special staff section chief, this Headquarters, will prepare a roster of all officer personnel assigned to his section which will give the following information:

- a. NAME (with initials, if any)
- b. RANK
- c. SECTIONAL DUTY ASSIGNMENT
- d. EXTENSION NUMBER ON WHICH OFFICER CAN BE REACHED

2. This information should be submitted to the Signal Center Officer not later than 6 May 1945 for prompt and accurate incorporation into the Headquarters Telephone Directory.

By command of Major General WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
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8 May 1945

SPECIAL SERVICE BULLETIN

ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR "V-E" DAY

HOLIDAYS - MAY 9 & 10

THEATRE - 1st TACAF (Schloss)

Movies will be shown daily at the following hours:

1000-1130 1400-1530 1600-1730 1930-2100

SWIMMING POOL - 45 Bergheimer Strasse

1000-1200 hours	(large pool) enlisted men	(small pool) officers
1400-1800 "		
1930-2130 "	Officers may use EM pool on Thursday.	WACs will use pool Thursday <u>only</u> .

ENLISTED MEN'S MESS

Wednesday - Starting at 1400 hours, there will be entertainment and refreshments provided during the afternoon and evening.

Red Cross Club: The Red Cross Club will be opened informally on Wednesday during the afternoon and evening. The formal opening of the Club will take place on Thursday. Doughnuts, coffee and entertainment will be available daily.

Officers' Club: Entertainment and refreshments will be provided daily during the afternoon and evening.

ATHLETIC FIELD:

The following athletic facilities will be available throughout the holidays at the athletic field which is located west of Hq, approximately three (3) blocks west of the railroad station: -

Volley Ball, softball, baseball, badminton, horseshoes and swimming.

LIBRARY:

The library will be open daily from 0800 to 2100 hours.

The 692nd AAF Band, dance bands, entertainment units and a USO Camp Show will provide entertainment during the holidays. Time schedules to be announced in the daily bulletin.

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G-TB-15

8 May 1945

SUBJECT: Manner of Performance Rating.

TO : All Section Heads this Headquarters.

1. It is desired that all section heads enter hereon a manner of performance rating for each officer in the section for the period that each officer has served in the section since 1 January 1945.

2. It is further desired that this listing be completed and delivered to the Adjutant General's Personnel Section by Saturday, 12 May 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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T J BROGAN
Col AGD
Adjutant Gen.

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8 May 1945

SUBJECT: V-E Day Observance.

TO : All Staff Sections
CO's All Organizations Attached to this Headquarters

1. Office hours for this headquarters on 9th and 10th of May 1945 will be from 0900 hours to 1600 hours.
2. Division and section chiefs of staff sections are authorized to release personnel from duty during these days. Skeleton staffs will be maintained. Commanders of units attached this headquarters are authorized to release from duty such personnel not assigned to headquarters staff sections as may be possible.
3. During the two days holiday period the mess hours for enlisted personnel will be as follows:

Breakfast	0730 - 0830
Dinner	1130 - 1330
Supper	1730 - 1900
4. Arms will not be carried, except by personnel on duty requiring arms during the holiday period. Unit commanders will provide for the storing of arms and will insure that arms are not carried, except by personnel on duty.
5. Attention is invited to the "Military Mass of Thanksgiving" scheduled for 1015 AM, 9 May 1945, in the Cathedral. All personnel are invited to attend.
6. The recreational program for the holiday period will be under the direction of the Special Service Officer. An information bulletin outlining the entertainment and recreational facilities will be published.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

Handwritten Signature: T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

V-D-1

8 May 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : See Distribution.

All unit commanders are cautioned to exercise the utmost diligence with informing personnel of their units that any celebrations in connection with V-E Day are to be conducted in an orderly and military manner. All individuals are to be cautioned that the discharge of firearms, drunkenness, and conduct unbecoming to the military service will be punished with the utmost severity.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General

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Hq, 213 AAA Group,
385th Signal Service Co, Avn (Sp),
Btry "C", 894th AAA Bn (SM),
Co "B", 459th Signal Construction Bn (H),
167th Liaison Sq,
Det "B", 1184th Military Police Co, Avn,
202nd Medical Dispensary, Avn,
Det "A", 1144th QM Co, Service Group,
2nd Radio Squadron, Mobile (G) Less det "A",
19th Vet. Section, Avn,
Det "KK", 21st Weather Sq,
Det. "KK", 40th Mobile Comm Sq,
156th Army Postal Unit,
Co "B", 562nd Signal Bn,
446th Signal Construction Bn (H) Less Co A and B.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

9 May 1945

MEMORANDUM:

1. The following personal message has been received by General Eisenhower from His Majesty the King:

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"To it was entrusted the task of annihilating the German armies in Western Europe, and of thus liberating the peoples whom they had enslaved.

"All the world now knows that, after fierce and continuous warfare, this force has accomplished its mission with a finality achieved by no other such expedition in history.

"On behalf of all my peoples, I ask that you, its supreme commander, will tell its members how deeply grateful we are to them, and how unbounded is our admiration for the courage and determination which, under wise leadership, have brought them to their goal of complete and crushing victory.

"I would ask you also to convey a special message of congratulations to my own forces now under your command.

"Throughout the campaign, they have acquitted themselves, in all services with a valour and distinction for which their fellow-countrymen will forever hold them in honour.

7 May 1945.

GEORGE
R. I. "

2. The following Victory Order of the Day issued by the Supreme Commander is to be delivered to every member of all headquarters and units under your command.

"Men and women of the Allied Expeditionary Force: The crusade on which we embarked in the early summer of 1944 has reached its glorious conclusion. It is my especial privilege, in the name of all nations represented in this theater of war, to commend each of you for valiant performance of duty. Though these words are feeble they come from the bottom of a heart overflowing with pride in your loyal service and admiration for you as warriors.

"Your accomplishments at sea, in the air, on the ground and in the field of supply, have astonished the world. Even before the final week of the conflict, you had put five million of the enemy permanently out of the war. You have taken in stride military tasks so difficult as to be classed by many doubters as impossible.

"You have confused, defeated and destroyed your savagely fighting foe. On the road to victory you have endured every discomfort and privation and have surmounted every obstacle ingenuity and desperation could throw in your path. You did not pause until our front was firmly joined up with the great Red Army coming from the East, and other allied forces, coming from the south.

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"The route you have travelled through hundreds of miles is marked by the graves of former comrades. From them has been exacted the ultimate sacrifice; Blood of many nations - American, British, Canadian, French, Polish and others - has helped to gain the victory. Each of the Fallen died as a member of the team to which you belong, bound together by a common love of liberty and a refusal to submit to enslavement.

"No monument of stone, no memorial of whatever magnitude could so well express our respect and veneration for their sacrifice as would perpetuation of the spirit of comradeship in which they died. As we celebrate victory in Europe let us remind ourselves that our common problems of the immediate and distant future can be best solved in the same conceptions of cooperation and devotion to the cause of human freedom as have made this expeditionary force such a mighty engine of righteous destruction.

"Let us have no part in the profitless quarrels in which other men will inevitably engage as to what country, what service, won the European War. Every man, every woman, of every nation here represented, has served according to his or her ability, and the efforts of each have contributed to the outcome. This we shall remember, and in doing so we shall be revering each honored grave, and be sending comfort to the loved ones of comrades who could not live to see this day.

8 May 1945

DWIGHT B. DISTERHOFF

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

C-M-4

220.8

9 May 1945

SUBJECT: Discharge of Enlisted Men 42 Years of Age or Over.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Under the provisions of Section I, WD Circular 125, dtd 25 April 1945 every enlisted man, 42 years of age or over, whose service is honorable, may voluntarily apply in writing to his immediate Commanding Officer for a discharge. Applications will be forwarded through command channels to this headquarters for disposition.

2. Military necessity or other requirements or limitations will not be a bar to discharge; however, this authority will not be used in lieu of disciplinary action, nor when discharge under other Army Regulations than AR 615-365 (convenience of the government) are appropriate nor when the individual concerned is under medical or surgical treatment.

3. The provisions of cited circular do not apply to enlisted women of the Woman's Army Corps.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General.

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DWIGHT B. DISENHOVER

8 May 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

10 May 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: All Staff Sections this Headquarters.

1. All registered classified documents now in section files which are of no further value will be turned in to the Adjutant General as soon as possible so that proper disposition can be made. Top Secret documents will be turned in to Top Secret Control; registered Secret documents will be returned to the AG Classified Section. A consolidated receipt will be improvised by each section, listing all documents being returned, and will accompany them. If any documents in these categories have been destroyed, a proper certificate will be submitted in accordance with AR 380-5.

2. All unregistered classified documents which are of no further value will be destroyed, and certificates will be submitted as above.

3. Restricted documents may be destroyed in any way which will render them useless.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

W-C-1

11 May 1945

SUBJECT: Motion Picture Film.

TO : Heads of all Staff Sections, this Headquarters.

C.O.'s, Hq Sq, First TACAF (Prov).

385th Signal Co.

Det 1184th M.P. Co.

202nd Med Disp (Avn).

Co "B" 562nd Sig AW Bn.

2nd Radio Sq. Mobile (C).

Det "A" 1144th CM Co Sv Gp.

Det KK 21 Weat Sq.

Det KK 40 Mob Comm Sq.

WAC Det.

CIC Det.

156th APU.

Finance Det 33 Sv Gp.

692nd AAF Band.

88th Vet Det (Prov).

11th Vet Sec.

APWIU Det (US Only).

1. All Officers and Enlisted personnel of units listed, will attend the showing of the subject film at one of the following hours at the Schloss Theater, 11 May 1945.

1300, 1400, 1500, 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900 hours.

2. Each section head and each commanding officer is responsible for personnel under his control attending the showing of this film, which runs about thirty five (35) minutes. The last showing will precede the regular motion picture entertainment.

3. Staff sections will forward a roster of personnel in sections to Commanding Officer, Hq Sq. First Tactical Air Force (Prov) listing names of personnel and time attended, by noon, Saturday, 12 May 1945.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Col, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

11 May 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: CG's AND CO's All Units of this Command.

All classified documents issued by this Headquarters and pertaining to operations, either past or projected, are authorized to be destroyed, in accordance with AR 380-5. Proper certificates will be forwarded to this headquarters

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

Thomas G. Kronberg
THOMAS G. KRONBERG
Major, Air Corps
Asst Adj General

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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C-M-4

220.8

13 May 1945

SUBJECT: Discharge of Enlisted Men 42 Years of Age or Over.

TO : C.G.'s & C.O.'s, All Units, First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

Reference letter, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 9 May 1945, the following is a quotation from Section I, WD Circular No.125, dated 25 April 1945:

"Every enlisted man 42 years of age or over, whose service is honorable and who voluntarily applies in writing to his immediate Commanding Officer for a discharge, will be sent to a separation center, as provided in current instructions for discharge under the provisions of AF-615-365 (convenience of the Government) and this circular. Such applicants overseas will be returned to the appropriate center in the United States in excess of rotation quotas. Military necessity or other requirements or limitations will not be a bar to discharge; however, this authority will not be used in lieu of disciplinary action, nor when discharge under other Army Regulations is appropriate, nor when the individual concerned is under medical or surgical treatment.

"The provisions of this circular do not apply to enlisted women of the Women's Army Corps."

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
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14 May 1945

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SUBJECT: Downgrading of TOP SECRET Documents.

TO : See Distribution.

In accordance with the provisions of AR 380-5, 15 March 1944, as amended, all TOP SECRET correspondence and documents originating from this headquarters pertaining to operations, which are retained in organization files, are hereby downgraded to CONFIDENTIAL.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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T. J. Brogan
T. J. BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROVISIONAL)

APC 374

14 May 1945

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SUBJECT: The Special Service Program Immediately Following V-Day.

TO : Commanding General, I Tactical Air Force Service Command (Prov).
Commanding General, XII Tactical Air Command.
Commanding General, 42nd Bomb Wing.
Commanding Officer, Each Separate Unit, this Air Force.

1. In compliance with letter, Hq., US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, subject as above, dated 20 April 1945, the following Special Service program is announced for all units of this Air Force, covering the period from the dated of this directive to V-E plus 30. This program is based on Annex VIII to First TACAF Redeployment Plan, dated 7 May 1945.

A. The Physical Training Program.

1. All personnel will participate, where practicable, in a duty-status physical training program for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per day, six (6) days each week.
2. This program will include calisthenics and conditioning activities.

B. The Athletic Program.

1. All personnel will also participate, where practicable, in a duty-status athletic program for one and a half (1½) hours per day.
2. This program will include:
 - (a) Organized team sports.
 - (b) Mass Games.
 - (c) Track and Field Meets.
 - (d) Swimming.
 - (e) Other sports and games needing special facilities, i.e., Golf, Tennis, Handball, etc.

C. Entertainment Program.

1. During this period, USO, G.I. and Allied Civilian Shows will continue to be utilized to the fullest extent in the coverage of First Tactical Air Force units. To supplement the coverage provided by USO and Civilian Shows a concentrated effort will be made to organize additional GI Shows

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Service Program Immediately Following V-Day", dated 14 May 1945, Cont'd)

C. Entertainment Program (Cont'd)

and to stimulate to the maximum soldier participation in the production of shows. The formation of three-man "Jeep Shows" to present programs of forty (40) to sixty (60) minutes duration will be encouraged. The formation of soldier show-producing organizations within the individual units will be encouraged. These organizations will be responsible for the production of all types of stage presentations, musical comedies, variety shows, legitimate plays, etc. Such shows will not only provide for off-duty enjoyment for soldiers actively participating in their production, but may be scheduled for performances at other installations for the general entertainment of First Tactical Air Force troops. This headquarters will maintain facilities for the interchange of unit shows and all needed materials for production of shows within the units. All unit shows will be registered with the Entertainment Branch, Special Service Section, this headquarters, to expedite maximum use of all entertainment units.

2. Formation of organized musical units, choral as well as instrumental, will be encouraged for the purpose of bringing about maximum participation in musical activities by talented and interested soldiers and to utilize these organized musical units for the general entertainment of all troops. Such AAF Bands as may be assigned to First Tactical Air Force will continue to be made available to all units for military and recreational purposes.
3. Facilities and number of showings of motion pictures will be increased to provide for leisure time recreation of all personnel. It will be the policy to show where possible a maximum of three (3) different titles weekly. As permanent sites become available, 35mm installations will be established in so far as facilities and policy of higher headquarters provide.

2. The designation of unit, station or group and command athletic officers and staff with duty as athletic officers and athletic NCO's, plus assistant athletic officers and athletic NCO's with athletics in addition to other duties will be accomplished with the least possible delay.

3. Unit commanders will arrange for the detail of officers and enlisted personnel as assistants to the Special Service Officer as are deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the program.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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14 May 1945

SUBJECT: Purchase of War Bonds - 10 and 25 Dollar Denominations

TO : CG's and CO's, All Units First Tactical Air Force (Prov)

1. Reference is made to Par. 3, Letter Hq ETOUSA, File AG 123 x 278.1
OPGA, Subject: "Currency Received from Unlawful Sources", dated 15 March 1945.

2. Until further notice, provisions of this letter are interpreted as
not applying to purchase of War Bonds in denominations of 10 and 25 dollars.

3. This means that enlisted men and officers may purchase War Bonds
in 10 and 25 dollar denominations without first presenting the application
to the Personnel Officer for recording as directed in the letter on "Currency
Received from Unlawful Sources".

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

T. J. Brogan
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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

17 May 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Officers, this Headquarters (except General Officers)

1. All officers assigned, attached or attached unassigned to Hq & Hq Squadrons, 63rd and 71st Fighter Wings will, beginning at 0900, Friday, 18 May 1945, report as indicated below to the 202nd Medical Dispensary (Avn) located in rear of Main Headquarters for completion of their Physical Profile.

2. The following schedule has been arranged by coordination with the 202nd Medical Dispensary. Officers whose last name begins with the Letter shown below will report at time and date as indicated.

<u>LAST NAME INITIAL</u>	<u>REPORTING TIME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
A, B	0900 - 1000	18 May 1945
C, D	1000 - 1200	"
E, F, G, H	1300 - 1400	"
I, J, K, L, M	1400 - 1600	"
N, O, P, Q	0900 - 1000	19 May 1945
R, S	1000 - 1200	"
T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z	1300 - 1600	"

3. Results of Officers Physical Profile will be submitted to the AG Personnel Section not later than 0900 hours, Sunday, 20 May 1945, on form provided for that purpose.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

18 May 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : All Officers and Enlisted Personnel, this Headquarters.

1. In accordance with USSTAF Regulations 80-16, dated 7 April 1945, all personnel of Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and Hq Sq (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov) who have used Hq or Hq Sq First Tactical Air Force (Prov) as a mail address, will complete three (3) sets of locator cards, Postal Form 46 (Change of Address) showing their new address. Personnel who have never used the Air Force address but always used either 63d or 71st Fighter Wing, need not submit forms if remaining with the same organization.

2. These locator cards will be disposed of as follows:

- a. One (1) set to APO 633.
- b. One (1) set to APO 374.
- c. One (1) set to the Mail Clerk, 63rd Fighter Wing, APO 374, who will receive all mail addressed to the Headquarters, First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and the Hq and Hq Sq (Prov), First Tactical Air Force (Prov) and will be responsible for the prompt readdressing and forwarding of all mail.

3. Personnel being assigned to other units will, within 24 hours after assignment, notify all correspondents and publishers of their correct present address using WD AGO Form 971 (V-mail change of address).

4. The postal service is so organized that unless change of address notices and postal locator cards are promptly furnished to all correspondents and interested agencies, considerable delay will result in the delivery of mail.

5. Postal forms 46 (Change of Address) and WD AGO Form 971 (V-mail change of address) may be obtained at Mail and Distribution located in the Headquarters Annex.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEBSTER:

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HEADQUARTERS
FIRST TACTICAL AIR FORCE (PROV)
APO 374

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20 May 1945

MEMORANDUM: First Tactical Air Force Plan for Operation 'ECLIPSE'
dated 20 March 1945

TO : All holders of above plan

The above plan issued by this headquarters will be void after this date and all copies should be destroyed. Copies may be retained for historical or further reference value, if this is done all such copies of entire plan, annexes and appendices should be downgraded from TOP SECRET to SECRET.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

T J Brogan
T J BROGAN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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